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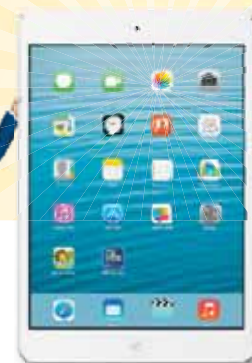


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The province is taking a stab at cutting down waiting times for Edmonton's emergency rooms as AHS launches the Rapid Transfer Unit at two city hospitals. Read more on page 4. **METRO FILE**

A safer ride for ETS users

The eyes on the bus.
'Real nerve centre' of Edmonton Transit to have more seamless monitoring in emergency situations



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Edmonton transit users can count on increased safety on the city's transit system thanks to an upgrade to the Edmonton Transit Safety and Security Control Centre.

Centre staff will now get a better idea of what's happening on the system in emergency situations through a more integrated system that includes upgraded technology with LRT and vehicle-tracking capability.

"We got to the point that we simply needed to upgrade

the control centre," said Quin Nicholson.

The transit centre is the "real nerve centre" of Edmonton Transit, the operations base for the system, added Nicholson.

The upgrades include a video wall to monitor the entire system that allows staff to switch back and forth between different parts of the system. This allows for a more seamless monitoring procedure during emergency situations, said the city.

The modified control centre also allows centre staff to zero in on a specific camera on a bus that has the real-time technology installed or to switch to a security camera at an LRT station more efficiently, according to the city.

"As soon as something happens, we can be on the ball instantly and we can see what's going on. We're better positioned to assist

people when events do happen in this respect," said Nicholson.

The upgrades were much needed, with the original system dating back to 1978. City officials say the system eventually reached a point where smaller upgrades weren't sufficient anymore due to the growth of the public transit system overall.

The process to monitor ETS is now more streamlined and all of the different parts of the system now "talk to each other" more efficiently.

Thanks mostly to dollars from the province in the form of a \$6.2-million Municipal Sustainability Initiative (MSI) grant, the system will now be able to accommodate Edmonton Transit growth for the next 30 years through this unified system.

Further extensions of the LRT line as planned will also be accommodated through the upgraded transit centre.

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Byelections

Elections Alberta to test blind voting device

For the first time in Alberta's history, visually impaired voters will be able to cast a ballot and keep it a secret like everyone else.

Elections Alberta is piloting a new voting device during the four upcoming byelections, which will allow blind or partially-sighted voters, as well as citizens with other disabilities, to vote on their own.

John McDonald, the executive director and regional vice-president of the CNIB, said it's a major victory for the visually impaired.

Previously, visually impaired voters had to have someone mark their ballot for them or use a more complicated voting device. The new device allows people to hear the names of those people running and mark their ballot.

McDonald said it means something most of us take for granted, is now available to the visually impaired.

"The right to cast one's vote in private or secret ballot is considered enshrined in democracy," he said.

Drew Westwater with Elections Alberta said they're happy to have the device ready for testing in the byelection. He said the great thing about this device is that the ballot is marked just like any other voter would vote.

"It marks it in such a way that when it's mixed in with all the other ballots, no one would ever know," he said.

The device will be available during advanced voting at the returning office in all four byelections.

RYAN TUMILTY/METRO



Michael James, supervisor of the police department's digital media unit, holds up the force's new app. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Edmonton police launch new app

On your phone.
App allows online crime reporting



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The next time a wanted man is on the run, news about him could come directly to your phone through a new app from Edmonton police.

The service unveiled the new app at the police commission meeting Thursday and it's expected to be online by Friday.

Michael James, head of

New app

- The app will be available for iPhone and Android devices starting on Friday.
- Currently, EPS allows online reporting of theft from vehicles, theft under \$5,000, lost property, damage to property and damage to vehicles either through the web or now, through the app.

the service's digital media unit, said the app brings together a lot of information about the service in one place.

"It's mainly just a way to access all of our external, social media and news information on our phone," he said.

James said other police agencies have similar apps and EPS wanted to reach citizens where they are. The app has police news releases and social media accounts, contact information for police stations and even allows users to report certain crimes online.

In missing persons cases or with extreme weather or other dangerous situations, police can even contact app users directly.

"We do have the ability to send alerts directly to people's mobile devices,"

said James.

James said that could have been used during the HUB mall shooting or the hostage taking at the Workers' Compensation Board to post urgent information or even to identify suspects.

"If we're looking for somebody who just committed a crime and we're actively looking for this person ... we can put his picture out and have a much broader audience looking for this guy," he said.

James said now that they have the basic platform available they hope to add to it in the future, including possibly integrating the department's online crime maps.

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AHS pilot aims to cut down on emergency-room waits

Rapid Transfer Units. Program will be tested at the U of A and Royal Alexandra hospitals



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Long emergency-room waits could get nipped in the bud — or at least that's the plan, as the province's health authority unveiled a new tactic to increase patient flow in city hospitals.

On Thursday, Alberta Health Services CEO Vickie Kaminski joined Health Minister Stephen Mandel at the University of Alberta hospital to announce the launch of two new Rapid Transfer Units.

Each hospital will receive between eight and 15 beds to service patients taking up room in the emergency de-

partment who don't necessarily need to be there.

Kaminski said that includes patients waiting to be discharged, transferred or admitted to another department.

The \$2.1-million pilot project will run for five months at the U of A and Royal Alexandra hospitals in the city, with plans to possibly expand the program across the province.

"We'll know at the end of the third or fourth month whether or not this is successful," said Kaminski, adding hospitals throughout the province could expect to see the program budgeted in the 2015/2016 year.

Mandel said the latest pilot is just one step in creating a better patient flow.

"It's really all about getting the proper access into the system," he said. "Right now, there are blockages at the emergency department."



Alberta Health Services CEO and president Vickie Kaminski spoke with media Thursday to announce two Rapid Transfer Units in Edmonton. LEAH HOLOIDAY/METRO

Firefighters get ready for possible Ebola calls



A sign on the doors of the Royal Alexandra hospital warn patients to notify staff if they've travelled to a country where Ebola is present. LEAH HOLOIDAY/METRO

Edmonton's fire-rescue services will take new precautions when responding to Ebola-like calls, said the city's fire chief, after Edmonton experienced its second scare over the weekend.

Chief Ken Block said Edmonton's Fire Rescue Service underwent a thorough review this week of how it will respond to medical calls after a patient was taken to the Royal Alexandra with a potential contagious illness Saturday.

"We're using this as an opportunity to review our current practice," said Block.

Block said Ebola is just one of a number of different infectious diseases staff could encounter when responding to an emergency call.

"Things like hepatitis C and B are a risk every day out there," he added.

Each year, fire services responds to approximately 26,000 medical events. Moving forward, members will be

responding to each call as if they were "wet" — meaning there are body fluids present.

Block called the revision a work in progress and will be increasing personal protective equipment for members.

"We'll be going through more (personal protective equipment) than we've experienced in the recent past," he said.

Similar measures were taken in Calgary, where the city has \$1.8 million worth of

pandemic equipment in stock and has ordered additional equipment to protect police, firefighters and other staff in the event of an Ebola outbreak.

Block also noted fire services is working closely with Alberta Health Services to ensure responding staff is on high alert for individuals with specific conditions, including a higher fever and specific travel history.

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Politics. Wildrose says PCs received illegal funds from public coffers

Alberta's Opposition says a freedom-of-information request has revealed more illegal donations to the PC Party.

Wildrose Leader Danielle Smith says documents show the party accepted more than \$102,000 between 2004 and 2010 from taxpayer-funded municipalities, post-secondary schools and school boards.

Smith says those are "prohibited corporations" under Alberta elections laws.

A request for comment from the Alberta PC Association was not immediately returned.

The Wildrose has written to chief electoral officer Glen Resler and provided him with the documents that the party says detail 238 instances of improper donations from 41 different parties.

Individual donations ranged from \$25 to \$4,000 for such events as golf tournaments for members of the legislature, PC party annual meeting dinners and leader dinners for former premiers Ralph Klein and Ed Stelmach.

Legal move

- The Tory government passed a law in 2012 prohibiting Elections Alberta from being able to disclose illegal donations received prior to 2010, so the Wildrose made access requests to municipalities, school boards and post-secondary institutions.

"That's over \$100,000 of taxpayer dollars that should have gone to roads or classrooms or research that instead ended up in the PC party election war chest," Smith said at a Calgary news conference Thursday.

A report by the province's former chief electoral officer listed 45 cases of illegal contributions to the Tories between 2010 and 2011 from towns, municipalities, school boards and other publicly funded organizations.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

SMOKING BAN IGNITES DEBATE ON PLAZA'S INCLUSIVENESS



FOOTNOTES
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Thanksgiving Sunday, on what would surely be one of the last bike rides of 2014, I cut through Churchill Square just as Edmonton Arts Council staff packed up the music speakers until spring. Any time now, snow will fall on the square and, save for a few festive occasions, it will revert to its regular scheduled program, something vaguely resembling *The Walking Dead* in its barrenness. And soon it could be even emptier if a well-intended smoking ban passes.

Coun. Michael Walters proposed the bylaw to prevent rude scenes like the ones he saw at this summer's Movies on the Square. Not on the screen, but in the audience: groups of smokers sidling up to small children.

"When it's -20 C and there are a few people hanging out having a smoke, I don't think we need to dedicate resources

to crack down on them," he says. "(But) what's the best strategy to ensure people smoke in a designated area when there's programming and families?"

A fine, obviously.

It sounds like a slam dunk until you consider this: 460 annual events makes it awfully difficult to intermittently enforce a law. The department overseeing bylaws suggested it could only work with a blanket approach. No smoking within the perimeter of Churchill Square — period. It already applies to the fountain area in front of city hall.

Edmonton invests \$100,000 a year on programming through EAC alone, for events such as lunchtime Zumba classes. Taste of Edmonton and other popular festivals which have helped make Churchill Square truly deserving of its status as our civic plaza.

But the vitality of a civic plaza is also determined by its casual use. The City understands that. Since 2010, it has added planters, a piano and

a fleet of colourful tables and chairs that should have existed long ago. But a 24/7 smoking ban could hinder that progress, worried Coun. Ben Henderson at Wednesday's community services committee meeting.

And it's not just a question of how Churchill Square is used, but by whom. Even on that unusually warm October weekend, most of its users appeared to be part of the homeless, or those one bad cheque away.

Robin Mazumder, an occupational therapist working in mental health, sees them every day in the square or his downtown office. "As a health-care professional I certainly don't condone smoking cigarettes," he says, "it's been documented that people with mental health issues smoke to cope with these symptoms and illnesses such as schizophrenia."

According to some mental health organizations, one-third to half of the U.S. homeless population have schizophrenia, and among those nearly nine in 10 smoke. Nearly

75 per cent of all U.S. homeless smoke according to the National Health Care for the Homeless Council.

Mazumder fears that a ban would either ticket those who can't afford the fine or inadvertently drive them out of the square. "If the streets is where these people live, and that's their living room, then that's where they go to be together."

Walters doesn't want to see that either. "I'm not interested in fining young people or homeless people, I'm interested in them moving toward the edge, especially when these events are on."

Edmonton has made great strides with proactive task forces to end homelessness and eliminate poverty. But if only a blanket smoking bylaw is possible, which Mayor Don Iveson supports, it may send the opposite message. Combined with the downtown building boom of luxury condos and hotels and the arena, we risk over-sanitizing the core until it's no longer welcoming for all walks of life.



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'Serious concerns.' NDP critic says school promises are byelection hot air

Standing next to an empty field Thursday, Alberta's New Democratic Party education critic called out the government, calling the recent announcement of 55 new schools nothing more than a byelection promise.

Deron Bilous was joined by NDP's Edmonton-Whitemud hopeful Bob Turner for the windy press conference to spotlight the lack of schools in the city's southwest.

"We've got serious concerns about the PCs making more promises conveniently during a byelection to build more schools when they haven't yet fulfilled the previous promises," Bilous told media gathered in the neighbourhood of Macgrath Heights.

Thanks to dropping oil prices, the education and infrastructure critic said the conservative government would once again find themselves short on cash for the upcoming budget.

"That has a direct impact on the provincial coiffures," he said.



NDP education and infrastructure critic Deron Bilous spoke to media Thursday. LEAH HOLOIDAY/METRO

Earlier this month, Premier Jim Prentice and education minister Gordon Dirks announced 15 new schools for Edmonton and extra cash to fast track nine that had been previously announced.

Along with the new school announcement, the government launched an online document to show the status of each project.

LEAH HOLOIDAY/METRO

Investigation. ASIRT clears RCMP in death after violent struggle

An investigation into a man's death after a violent struggle with RCMP south of Edmonton has determined officers acted properly in trying to subdue him.

The Alberta Serious Incident Response Team says Marc Andre Fontaine of Leduc was a considerable risk to the public, to police and to himself. Acting executive director Susan Hughson says it was a reasonable

use of force to use a Taser on Fontaine twice and to hold him around the neck because several tries to calm him had failed.

The medical examiner's office determined Fontaine died of excited delirium syndrome as a result of cocaine toxicity. The medical examiner found the Taser and the control hold played no identifiable role in Fontaine's death in August 2013. THE CANADIAN PRESS



Acting Sgt. Lawrence Avery speaks to reporters about the vicious beating police are investigating on the north side. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

Police ask your help in teen beating case

Griesbach. Victim suffered brain damage, cops say



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Edmonton police are asking the public for help solving a vicious beating that left a 17-year-old man in life-threatening condition.

Police were called to the incident nearly three weeks ago, on Sept. 28 around 9:30 p.m. in the Griesbach area.

When they arrived, police found the young man semi-conscious and lying in a parking lot behind a large condominium complex on McCrae Avenue and Castle Downs Road.

The man was treated and taken to hospital, but his condition has continued to deteriorate and he's now in intensive care.

Acting Sgt. Lawrence Avery with EPS Northeast Division said police were hoping the victim would be able to identify the attackers himself, but that hasn't happened.

"We thought that it was better to speak with him first, but his condition has continued to deteriorate," he said.

Witnesses reported three Caucasian males, believed to be in their 20s, with short hair and dark clothing. They fled the scene in a dark four-door sedan.

Avery said the young man doesn't have a history with police and they're unsure what might have sparked the violence.

"We have no clue why he was there. We have no clue

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EPS is asking anyone with information regarding the incident or the suspects to call 780-423-4567 or #377 from a mobile phone.

why anyone would have done this to him," he said.

He said the young man faces an uphill battle.

"He may survive, but he's not going to be the same. He has a degree of brain damage," he said.

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Community leagues say dealing with city their biggest challenge

Survey. Many members are volunteers and not familiar with the challenges of dealing with city council



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Edmontonians say city processes are some of the biggest hurdles in right now, according to a recent report, something local community league presidents hope will soon change.

A survey done by the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues (EFCL) found that out of the 627 Edmontonians who participated, 69 per cent said the city was the biggest stumbling block for community leagues.

Since members are volunteers and not necessarily familiar with how to deal with city council, it can prove to be challenging, say league presidents.

"In my opinion, people who are involved in the community league system represent those people who are in some cases most passionate about their neighbourhoods, so I don't think you can easily



How the city and community leagues deal with one another is important, according to a recent survey. METRO FILE

dismiss when someone has a concern about something in their neighbourhood," said Chris Buyse, Downtown Edmonton Community League president.

How best to represent the community, obtain funding and advocate on behalf of the

community were also points brought forward by the people who did the survey.

City council opted to change the way they do public consultation as part of a three-year initiative that will review best practices around the world, according to the city's

website.

"Often times, community leagues will get very frustrated because they're just lost in the process and there's no clarity on how they could and should engage with the city on how to address their fundamental programs," said Bill Moore-Kil-

gannon, Riverdale community league president.

"I'm hoping things will get better and I'm really hoping that the two councillors ... are actually going to come up with something substantive that actually works with community leagues."

Trade-off. One-sided parking ban being tested this winter

If a planned pilot program for a one-sided parking ban works this winter, the city wants to know if residents are willing to accept it city-wide.

This winter, four neighbourhoods in the city will receive higher levels of snow clearing. In exchange they will lose parking on one side of their street. The hope is that having one side clear of vehicles will improve the process.

Laura McNabb, a spokesperson for the transportation department, said they want to see how the snow pilot works first, but taking it city-wide is a possibility.

"If it's successful and the people in those communities ... are happy with the trade-off ... then it's something we would definitely look at for other neighbourhoods," she said.

Coun. Andrew Knack said he's confident the pilot will provide better service, so it's up to residents to decide if they can live without street parking.

"I will be shocked if this doesn't provide fantastic service that people love, it's just whether they're willing to sacrifice parking to have that increase in service."

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Four weeks deadline

Alberta's privacy laws set to expire

Alberta's privacy legislation, parts of which were declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court of Canada last year, will be rendered invalid unless a motion to extend its legal life is granted within the next four weeks.

In a unanimous decision last year, the court gave the province one year to amend its Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA) after striking down the law over a case involving people being

videotaped crossing a picket line in Edmonton.

The deadline to make changes was set as Nov. 15, but the provincial government has yet to do so and, after Premier Jim Prentice prorogued the legislature last month, the assembly won't now sit again until Nov. 17.

Eldon McIlwain, a spokesperson for Service Alberta Minister Manmeet Bhullar, told Metro this week a motion to extend the deadline has been "formally filed" with the Supreme Court, "and they have given notice that it was received."

Edmonton-Centre Liberal

MLA Laurie Blakeman said the extension "will probably be granted" but still said things should never have come to this point.

"The government did clearly know what needed to be fixed and they sat on their thumb for 12 months," she said.

If the legislation does expire, however, Blakeman said it would mean "total disarray for many small- and medium-sized businesses," as they would suddenly be subject to federal privacy laws instead, which are substantially different.

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Enforcement blitz expected for 2015

Cyclist riding on a sidewalk or a driver whose car is parked on a bike lane will soon be the focus of a project between the city and Edmonton Police, according to city administration.

It starts with getting city officials and EPS officers versed in the bylaws and fines the city has but also how cyclists and motorists can share the roads.

From there, city officials

expect the positive blitzes on city streets will roll out at an undecided date in 2015.

"There's definitely an appetite for it in the public and we recognized that early on," said Catherine Kloczkowski with the city. "As we were looking at doing a ticketing blitz, it became apparent that we have to do some internal engagement and education first so that's

what we decided to tackle this year."

An EPS spokesperson said a one-page document was distributed to front line members listing some of the infractions for both motorists and cyclists about a month ago.

"I think the public would respond very positively with doing an information blitz first," said Kloczkowski. **STEPHANIE DUBOIS/METRO**

'Let's get there together'

City officials say they have received complaints from both drivers and bikers, something they have tried to address with their education campaigns like 'Let's get there together.' The next step is getting people on the streets aware.

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Cassandra Dahl and pot-bellied pig Chuckles were inseparable, but Strathmore bylaws

Family's forced out

Oinker opposition.
Pet helped calm daughter's night terrors: Strathmore parents



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Swine enthusiasts in Strathmore say they've been hogtied and had no choice but to send away a prized porker credited with helping their youngster catch some shut-eye.

The Dahl family first took ownership of Chuckles, a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig, two years ago after he was found running loose in Airdrie. They then watched in awe as daughter Cassandra became close with the big-bellied hog, even allowing him to sleep in her own bed.

Cassandra, now nine, had suffered from night terrors since

pretty much birth, according to father Trevor Dahl, but Chuckles helped greatly in relieving her late-night tension.

"He was great," he said. "Once they (pot-bellies) know where food comes from they don't run away, they don't try to get out. I could take you into 20 houses and you'd never even know there was a pig in there living."

But Strathmore's bylaws don't allow the keeping of poultry, fowl, bovine, equine and porcine — pigs fall into the latter category.

The Dahls shipped Chuckles out of Strathmore to a friend's farm last year but kept fighting to bring him home. The Dahl family brought Chuckles home again in September after a freak snowstorm caused damage to his home, but it's believed a neighbour called city bylaw officers to complain. The Dahls were invited to speak with town council Oct. 1 but said Thursday they don't believe their case was properly



have forced the youngster's parents to send the hog away. COURTESY CHRISTINE DAHL

piggy pal of its pen

Calgary swine?

- Trevor Dahl has been called on to assist dozens of pot-bellied pigs over the years and said he's aware of up to 30 being kept as pets in the City of Calgary.
- City bylaws specify that only pigs acquired before March 2006 can be kept as pets, providing the animal is "appropriately cared for, and that keeping the animal does not pose any environmental concerns or nuisances in the neighbourhood."

chief administrative officer, said city representatives feared ruling in Chuckles' favour would have opened the barn door, so to speak, to other farm animals being kept as pets.

"Are we going to have to allow people to have, say, goats or sheep or other types of animals — chickens and so forth," he said. "I guess, basically, the town — council and all — are saying 'We don't want that in town, it's not what the town's about.'"

Chuckles has since been sent away again and Cassandra's mother Christine Dahl said she hates seeing her daughter suffer "for no reason." Cassandra has struggled to sleep since Chuckles left and has often sought her parents bed in the middle of night in recent weeks for comfort.

"It's her security, it's her security blanket, you don't see things usually like this and it's just amazing how the two of them have connected," she said.

considered. They were told to return a week later, but received a letter in the mail informing them that the town's bylaw wouldn't be amended and that council's decision was final.

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Callingwood

Police seek man exposing himself

Edmonton police are investigating a possible flasher in the Callingwood neighbourhood.

Three incidents have taken place between Sept. 4 and Oct. 14 where a man, who witnesses believed was masturbating, exposed himself to women walking past.

The first incident occurred

on Sept. 4 at 178 Street and 72 Avenue. A second incident occurred on Sept. 24 on 178 Street and 69 Avenue and the final incident took place on Oct. 14 on 188 Street and 66 Avenue. The suspect is described as being a Caucasian male, between the ages of 20 and 30, with strawberry-blond hair.

Anyone with information is ask to contact the Edmonton Police Service at 780-423-4567 or #377 from a mobile phone. **METRO**

St. Albert

RCMP warn residents after series of vehicles vandalized

RCMP from St. Albert are asking for the public's help identifying the people behind a series of vehicle vandalism Monday night.

According to police, vehicles in the Lacombe Park, North Ridge and Deer

Ridge neighbourhoods were damaged between 11:30 p.m. and midnight on Thanksgiving Monday.

At least seven vehicles had windows broken by rocks, including a Jeep Grand Cherokee and Ford F150. Police said all vehicles were parked and unattended at the time of the damage.

The following night, another vehicle was damaged, with a smashed back window. **METRO**

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Ebola deaths exceed 4,500

Out of control. With the total number of cases doubling every four weeks, more than 9,000 have been infected by the virus

The death toll from Ebola has surpassed 4,500 people from the 9,000 infected, while the outbreak is still out of control in three West African nations, a top official with the UN health agency said Thursday.

Dr. Isabelle Nuttall, director of the World Health Organization's (WHO) global capacities, alert and response, said new numbers show the outbreak

is still hitting health workers hard despite precautions — with 2,700 medical workers infected and 236 dead — mainly because Ebola victims are most contagious around the time they die.

Nuttall said the focus of the world's efforts should remain on the countries where the outbreak has been spreading out of control.

"Our data shows that cases are doubling every four weeks. The disease is still widespread in Guinea, Liberia and Sierra Leone, and there is persistent transmission of the virus," she told a news conference in Geneva.

Although the effects of the crisis are increasingly being felt beyond its epicentre

in West Africa, until now two nurses in Dallas and a Madrid nursing assistant are the only ones known to have contracted Ebola outside the hot zone.

Nuttall added it will take months before the virus is contained, while the WHO has identified 14 African countries — a list including Cameroon, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Ghana, Central African Republic, Senegal, South Sudan and Nigeria — where being prepared for a potential outbreak and being able to contain it are top priorities.

"They've been chosen because either they have land borders with the affected countries ... or they have high travel or trade routes," Nuttall said.

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Picky donors

Smaller Ebola donations scarce

Individual Americans donated generously in response to many recent international disasters, but current response to the Ebola epidemic has only been modest.

Joel Charny, vice president of InterAction, an umbrella group for U.S. relief agencies, said people are more likely to donate when they foresee a happier conclusion.

Due to the fear factor and nature of Ebola, it's harder for people to engage the cause. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Questions

U.S. officials mull Ebola preparation

American health officials said Thursday they still don't know how two Dallas nurses caught Ebola from a patient, as criticism increased from lawmakers questioning if the U.S. is prepared to stop the virus from spreading.

The revelation that one of the hospital nurses was cleared to fly on a commercial airline the day before she was diagnosed raised new alarms about the American response to the Ebola outbreak in West Africa. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ebola containment

Senegal, Nigeria nearly Ebola-free

Health-care workers battling the Ebola outbreak that has killed more than 4,500 people in West Africa have managed to limit its spread on the continent to five countries — and two of them appear to have snuffed out the disease.

WHO health officials have touted successes in countries like Senegal and Nigeria, the latter of which the UN organization hopes to declare as outbreak-free on Monday.

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Vancouver's Oppenheimer Park tent city gone, many still homeless

Finding homes. More than 200 people lived in the park since the camp was first established in July

An overnight reprieve didn't stop a homeless camp from being dismantled by authorities on Thursday.

Several people were arrested by police Thursday afternoon after the majority of campers in Vancouver's Oppenheimer Park reluctantly packed up their belongings and left as volunteers, while city staff and fire officials dismantled tents and cleaned up the park under the watchful eye of a large police presence, in accordance with a court-ordered injunction.

Despite a Wednesday, 10 p.m. deadline to take down the tent city, police decided not to enforce the injunction in the

middle of the night.

That seemed to have a calming effect the following morning on efforts to break up the camp, home to more than 200 people since July.

"It has been quite peaceful," said Pivot Legal Society lawyer DJ Larkin, who had a team of legal observers at the park. "The police are standing by, it's mostly fire rescue that have been interacting with people. From what I've seen, they've been doing so respectfully."

Authorities were pleased with the progress being made until approximately a dozen tents remained.

Police congregated at the park until about 4:30 p.m., when they moved in and arrested four people who refused to take down their tent.

A line of officers blocked off the police wagon and faced protesters who were singing and drumming while the campers were taken into custody.

The city says 56 campers are



Of the approximately 200 homeless people who have lived in tent city since July, the City of Vancouver has placed 56 in permanent housing, and another 62 in temporary shelters. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

now living in permanent housing, and another 62 have been placed into temporary shelters as of Wednesday night. But resentment over the city's efforts to disperse the homeless still lingers.

"They shouldn't have done it to begin with," said Dan Wallace, one of the camp's leading advocates. "Some campers are willing to take the facilities offered, but it doesn't work

for everyone. There are a few couples here, they're not going to separate (to get into gender-specific shelters). The city is making the homeless homeless again, the logic is stupid."

Jeffrey Dean Caldwell, a homeless man who has camped at the park since July, said he was willing to stay at Oppenheimer and risk arrest.

"I'm here until the end, I have nothing to lose," he said.

they know and are packing up. But they're also saying, 'I don't know where to go, I need more time, I don't have a plan.'"

Homelessness remains a major issue in Vancouver even with the camp gone, she said.

The regional district's 2014 homeless count recorded 2,770 people living without a home, an increase from 2,650 in 2011.

Street homelessness in Vancouver is nearly doubled to 538 people from 273 in 2013.

In addition to shelter spaces, the city says three buildings with 259 units of housing are slated to open soon.

The city has also commandeered a former hotel to temporarily house another 157 people starting in November.

The city has argued that conditions of the camp have steadily deteriorated and that it is unsafe, with Mayor Gregor Robertson pointing to the death of a 69-year-old man there as evidence of the poor conditions.

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'How do you go after the cyber-mob?'

'GamerGate.' Angry video game players are harassing female gamers; no one has been held responsible

Under the banner of "GamerGate," angry video game players are harassing and threatening prominent women in the game community — and few, if any, are facing consequences.

GamerGate began in August, when a diatribe about game developer Zoe Quinn surfaced online, written by an ex-boyfriend and alleging she slept with a journalist to ensure a positive review for her game *Depression Quest*. Angry users pounced, spreading the allegations and sending Quinn threatening tweets and phone calls.

GamerGate supporters argue it has sparked a discussion about bias in video game journalism, while critics believe the movement is merely a front for misogynistic attacks. "They say they're about

ethics in journalism, but the only thing they've produced in two months is harassment against marginalized people," said Veerender Jubbil, an aspiring video game critic based in Brampton, Ont., and the creator of the #StopGamerGate2014 hashtag on Twitter.

Last week, game developer Brianna Wu fled her Boston home after her address was posted on the Internet alongside rape and death threats. The Twitter user responsible called Wu a "feminist asshat" and was upset she had mocked GamerGate.

On Tuesday, feminist media critic Anita Sarkeesian cancelled a lecture at Utah State University after the school received a threatening email. Sarkeesian — who hails from Toronto — was slated to speak about the portrayal of women in video games.

"I will write my manifesto in (Sarkeesian's) spilled blood, and you will all bear witness to what feminist lies and poison have done to the men of America," the letter said.

Despite the fact that many of the activities carried out



This Jan. 17, 2013, photo, provided by Anita Sarkeesian, shows her with vintage video game machines in Minneapolis. ALEX LAZARA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

under the GamerGate banner are illegal — such as harassment, slander and uttering

threats or hate speech — no one has been held responsible or charged.

Diversity in gaming

Jennifer Allaway is a U.S. researcher who studies diversity in the game industry. She has interviewed numerous gamers and developers and says GamerGate is in no way reflective of the broader video game community. According to Allaway's findings:

1 78 per cent of women and 71 per cent of men support attempts to hire more women in the game industry.

2 87 per cent of women and 70 per cent of men want to see more female protagonists in video games.

3 83 per cent of women and 73 per cent of men believe diverse development teams create better-quality games.

"We actually don't have legislation that's caught up with the nature of these threats," said York University professor Jennifer Jenson. "Right now, we have no real recourse."

For Jenson, the problem is less about the need for new laws than it is about the need to enforce those that exist. She believes police need to be better educated on how the law applies to online activity.

"A lot of people, when they go to report cyber-harassment to the police, they feel like they're talking to a brick wall," she said.

Danielle Citron, a legal scholar at the University of Maryland, agrees. Her recent book, *Hate Crimes in Cyberspace*, features interviews with Anita Sarkeesian and describes how initially, she was reluctant to approach police.

"There were hundreds and hundreds of posts. It was daunting," Citron said. "How do you go after the cyber-mob?"

The FBI is investigating some of the threats made against Sarkeesian — particularly a bomb threat that was sent to the Game Developers Choice Awards in San Francisco last March — and Citron is hopeful that some of the worst offenders may actually end up before a court.

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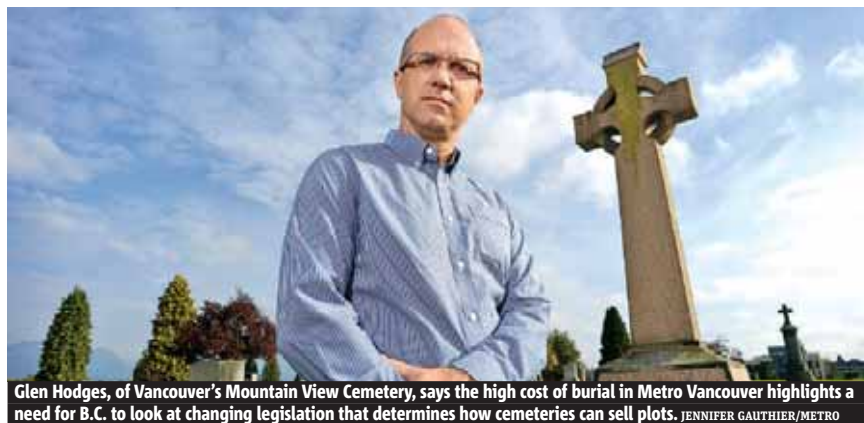


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Metro in Vancouver

Canadians have long complained about the high cost of living, especially in our larger cities such as Vancouver.

But as graveyards fill up and land prices soar, parts of Canada are becoming expensive places to die — especially Vancouver. Other places in Canada seem relatively inexpensive.

For example, at some Metro Vancouver ceme-



Glen Hodges, of Vancouver's Mountain View Cemetery, says the high cost of burial in Metro Vancouver highlights a need for B.C. to look at changing legislation that determines how cemeteries can sell plots. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/METRO

teries where vacancy is running low, asking prices for in-ground burial plots with space for two caskets can run as high as \$52,000, while a double crypt mausoleum can come with a price tag as steep as \$60,000.

According to industry ex-

perts, that high cost of burial is only going to keep rising as graveyard space continues to dwindle in a city already notorious for its sky-high real estate prices. They say the issue highlights a need for changes to provincial legislation that controls how cem-

eteries can sell burial plots.

"We're going to hit that wall eventually," said Glen Hodges, manager of Mountain View Cemetery in Mount Pleasant.

"The space that exists is basically the space we already have, so as those cem-

eteries start to fill up ... that puts pressure on those cemeteries in terms of pricing that remaining space."

At Mountain View, the City of Vancouver's only cemetery, Hodges said there are only 700 or 800 graves still available for casket burials.

The cost of a burial plot is \$22,500, he said, which includes space for up to two caskets, up to eight cremated remains and up to four grave markers.

While the price may seem exorbitant, Hodges said the fee is "good value" considering families can reuse the burial plot, placing two new caskets every 40 years, a perk that is only offered at Mountain View.

At private cemeteries, the cost can run even higher. In Burnaby, B.C. a double-depth plot at Ocean View Burial Park ranges from \$30,000 to \$52,000.

Price survey

Casket burial prices across Canada:

- **Vancouver.** Ranges from \$22,500 at city's cemetery to \$52,000 at private cemetery in Burnaby.
- **Calgary.** \$2,952 at city's cemeteries.
- **Saskatoon.** Ranges from \$1,385 to \$1,815 at city's cemetery.
- **Halifax.** Ranges from \$1,581 to \$3,162 at St. John's Cemetery.
- **Toronto.** Cheap compared to Vancouver. Ranges from \$6,000 to \$8,885 at Toronto Necropolis cemetery.

Apple's new iPad Air 2 faster and more svelte



Phil Schiller, Apple senior VP, talks iPad pricing. AP

Apple unveiled a thinner iPad Thursday with a faster processor and a better camera as it tries to drive excitement for tablets amid slowing demand.

The iPad Air 2 also adds many of the features previously available on iPhones, and includes a fingerprint ID sensor for use instead of a passcode.

Meanwhile, Apple made its new Mac operating system, Yosemite, available as a free download starting Thursday.

Apple Pay, the company's new system for using iPhones to make credit and debit card payments at retail stores, will launch on Monday.

New iPads

Apple's new tablet is 18 per cent and 6.1 millimetres thinner than previously.

The rear camera is boosted to eight megapixels, matching what's found in iPhones.

Mac Updates

The company unveiled

new iMacs with a sharper display. Apple also released its new Yosemite operating system for Macs as a free download.

The Mac update include new functionality, such as the ability to make phone calls with an iPhone nearby and a one-stop search tool for both locally stored documents and online resources.

Apple Pay

Deals have been made with hundreds of additional

credit card issuers since the new payment service was announced last month.

With Apple Pay, iPhone 6 and 6 Plus owners will be able to make payments at brick-and-mortar stores by holding their phone near a card reader. The new iPhones have a wireless chip to transmit the information needed to complete the transaction. Apple Pay may spur transactions over mobile Web browsers and apps.

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Niagara River

Canadian woman tried to enter U.S. by kayak: Officials

A Canadian woman is in custody after American federal authorities say she tried to enter the U.S. illegally by kayaking across the Niagara River near Buffalo.

The Buffalo News reports that U.S. Border Patrol agents were alerted by Can-

adian police that a woman was kayaking across the river from Ontario toward Beaver Island State Park on Grand Island, New York, just north of Buffalo.

Officials say 32-year-old Olivia Leigh Suriani was apprehended as she approached a taxi near the park. She appeared before a U.S. magistrate in Buffalo on a charge of illegal re-entry.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Cellphone encryption

FBI director warns new technology could derail probes

FBI Director James Comey warned in stark terms Thursday against the push by technology companies to encrypt smartphone data and operating systems, arguing that murder cases could be stalled, suspects could walk free and

justice could be thwarted by a locked phone or an encrypted hard drive. He singled out the recent announcements by Apple and Google that their new operating systems are encrypted.

Privacy advocates and technology experts called the concerns exaggerated and little more than recycled arguments the government has raised against encryption since the early 1990s. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

'We were lucky,' says Canadian survivor

Himalayan tragedy. Quebec woman tells harrowing tale of surviving avalanche in Nepal's mountains

A Canadian survivor of the Nepal avalanche that killed at least 27 people has described being buried waist-high in thick, heavy snow on a "nightmare" of a day.

Quebecer Sonia Leveque said she thought she was going to die and that she and her fellow trekkers are fortunate to be alive. "We fought for survival and we were lucky," she told RDI, Radio-Canada's all-news network.

She said nobody in her

small group saw the avalanche coming. "It happened extremely quickly — within seconds, we were separated," Leveque said.

"Three people in our group were swept away (and) we tried to find them but there was about 20 metres of snow accumulated at the bottom of the avalanche."

The death toll in the tragedy was revised upward Thursday to 27, with four Canadians among the dead and others among the roughly 70 people missing.

Three Quebec women were reported missing, including Genevieve Adam. Her father feared the worst as he travelled to Nepal. His brother, Francois Adam, said Genevieve was asleep in her tent with other trekkers.

"What I know is that it happened at around four o'clock in the morning," he said. "She was sleeping, (and) bang! it hit and passed over them and they were carried down along with the avalanche." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Climate change

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Canadian Forces prepare to help fight ISIS

Canadian Forces members walk on the tarmac onto a waiting Airbus CC-150 Polaris at CFB Trenton before take-off, in Trenton, Ont., on Thursday. The advance group is responsible for initiating preparations for the Canadian Forces units that will deploy in Operation IMPACT in Kuwait and help fight the Islamic State of Iraq and al-Sham (ISIS). LARS HAGBERG/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Pee in a cup, break a world record?

Sexually transmitted infections. Group attempts to test most people in 24 hours



MIKE DONACHIE
Metro in London, Ont.

The student union at London, Ont.'s Fanshawe College was handing out cups Thursday, but they didn't contain coffee.

The area sees five cases of chlamydia a day, according to the Middlesex-London Health Unit, and so health workers are raising awareness by attempting to set a Guinness world record for the most tests for sexually transmitted infections in 24 hours.

The health unit will make two attempts, the first began Thursday at Fanshawe and the second will take place at nearby Western University on Tuesday. The record of 767 tests was set



Middlesex-London Health Unit worker Brittany Van Horik collects urine samples
Thursday at Fanshawe College. MIKE DONACHIE/METRO

in Basingstoke, England, on Valentine's Day in 2013.

Students at the University of Calgary attempted to break the record in April but were unsuccessful, recording 501 tests.

Students take a sample cup into the washroom and bring it back with urine. The sample will be tested for chlamydia and gonorrhea, and anyone with a positive result will be contacted.

"Chlamydia and gonorrhea

(positive results) are higher than the provincial average in Middlesex-London," said health promoter Chris Blain.


Among those being tested were nursing students Michael Cunha and Burcu Ilhan.

"It's better to raise awareness," Ilan said. "As nursing students, that's ideally what we should be doing."

Cunha chipped in: "We should be an example and help alleviate the stigma."

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CBS going All Access

TV. U.S. network introducing its own online streaming service

CBS is jumping on the cord-cutting bandwagon, launching a stand-alone digital streaming service for \$5.99 a month that will offer subscribers access to its current and older shows.

The news comes a day after HBO said it plans to offer a streaming-only service next year.

Americans are increasingly turning to digital media to watch TV and movies. About 45 per cent of Americans stream television shows at least once a month, according to research firm eMarketer. That number is expected to increase to 53 per cent, or 175 million people, by 2018, it says.

"With video consumption habits changing all the time, it is very important that we continue to provide the best local news, entertainment and sports via a service like CBS All Access," said Peter Dunn, president of CBS Television



This file image released by CBS shows Julianna Margulies as Alicia Florrick in a scene from The Good Wife.
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Stations, in a statement. "Television stations have been the fabric of local broadcasting for 75 years, and today's announcement is part of paving the way for the next 75."

The broadcast TV network says 15 current prime-time shows such as The Good Wife and Survivor will be available

the day after they air on the service, called CBS All Access.

Subscriptions to the service will include the ability to stream CBS stations live in 14 markets and watch previous seasons of current shows as well as older shows from both CBS and other networks like Twin Peaks and Cheers.

But live-streaming of sporting events, including NFL coverage, is not available.

Other monthly streaming services, Hulu and Netflix, currently offer some CBS shows for streaming, but the CBS All Access service offers a more complete catalogue.

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Reforms. India overhauls cumbersome labour laws to boost investment

By the numbers

13M

Creating more jobs is a high priority, with some 13 million young Indians joining the workforce each year.

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced a series of labour reforms on Thursday aimed at transforming Asia's third-largest economy into an international manufacturing hub.

Modi said he wants to overhaul India's archaic labour laws to make it easier to do business in the country, attract investment and promote it as the world's next cheap manufacturing nation.

India's labour laws, many written when India was a British colony, strictly regulate hiring and firing of employees and require large amounts of paperwork that often deter companies from employing new staff.

"Ease of business is the first and foremost requirement" for making India a global manufacturing hub, Modi said in New Delhi.

The new rules include changes that would make it easier for employees to link their Provident Fund savings — a payroll-funded government savings scheme — to their

bank accounts and allow them to transfer the funds as they move jobs.

Factory inspection reports will now be uploaded to a government website within three days, unlike current arbitrary checks that manufacturers say allow inspectors to harass them.

The prime minister launched a "Make in India" campaign last month and has promised to bring the country's slumping economy back on the growth track.

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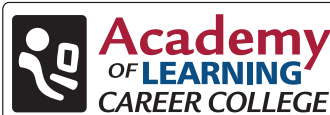
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Will Bay Street become Bitcoin believer?

CAVIRTEX. Entrepreneur wants people to buy in to country's first Bitcoin currency exchange



JESSICA SMITH CROSS
Metro in Toronto

Calgarian Joseph David has come to Toronto seeking money. He's the founder of Canada's first and largest Bitcoin currency exchange, and he's hoping to convince Canada's traditional financial establishment to get into Bitcoin.

"I've been preparing all my life for this," said David in an interview.

David gave a presentation at the World Money Show on Thursday. He's hoping to get players in "mainstream finance" interested in Bitcoin so they'll be customers of his exchange, CAVIRTEX (pronounced "C-A Virtex"), which charges 0.5 to 1.5 per cent to exchange Bitcoins for Canadian dollars, depending on the value of the trade.

"I'm looking forward to getting onstage in front of financial industry experts and mainstream finance, who haven't even heard of Bitcoin yet," he said.

He's also attempting to secure venture capital support for his company to expand and launch the first Bitcoin investment fund in Canada.

Quoted

Venture capitalists are "putting money into the future of Bitcoin because they think it's the future of money."

Joseph David

He may have a tough time: The volume of Bitcoin trading has gone down over the past six months, as has its price. Bitcoin is currently trading at about \$430, significantly down from its peak of almost \$1,200.

When David got into Bitcoin, it was worth about \$1.

In 2010, a friend told David about the virtual currency and he shuttered his telecom company to go into Bitcoin full-time.

"I asked, 'Where do you buy it?' And the answer, back then, was at a Denny's in Calgary on Macleod Trail. It was like a dating service: You had to go online and find someone," he said. "You had to go with the laptop and the cash and shake hands."

So David saw the need for a Canadian currency Bitcoin exchange to make it easy for everyone to buy and launched CAVIRTEX in 2011.

Last winter, in the months after the FBI brought unprecedented worldwide attention to Bitcoin by busting Silk Road — the illegal online market that used the currency — Bitcoin hit its all-time-high value.

But then in March the world's largest Bitcoin exchange, Mt. Gox, imploded into bankruptcy through alleged hacking and mismanagement, taking customer's wealth and, according to David, many people's faith in Bitcoin, with it. "The interest just died down and there was fear," he said.

Now he thinks that fear is easing and Bitcoin has recently seen a small rally.



Barbie continues to lose her lustre as sales plummet

Barbie dolls and other souvenirs line shelves at the Barbie Dreamhouse Experience in Berlin. Sales of the iconic doll continue to slide and a surprising drop in sales of Mattel's American Girl toys could become another headache for the toy company as it heads into the crucial holiday season. Mattel reported Thursday that Barbie sales fell 21 per cent for the three months ended Sept. 30, even sharper than the 15 per cent drop in the second quarter. And American Girl's third-quarter sales declined seven per cent, compared with a six per cent rise in the second quarter. SEAN GALLUP/GETTY IMAGES

Report. Most N.Y.C. Airbnb listings violate laws: AG

Nearly three-quarters of the New York City listings offered by the short-term rental service Airbnb violate city or state laws, New York state's attorney general charged Thursday.

A report by Attorney General Eric Schneiderman also charged that many of the listings are placed by commercial operators running illegal hotels, not by New Yorkers renting out a spare room.

In one instance, Schneiderman said, a single commercial user made \$6.8 million.

The report is based on data obtained by Schneiderman's office as a result of a May 2014 subpoena. It examined New York City Airbnb bookings between Jan. 1, 2010 and June 2, 2014.

During that time, the report

said, 25,532 of 35,354 private short-term listings — 72 per cent — violated state or city laws.

It is generally legal to rent out a room while the homeowner or tenant is present, but many listings violated city zoning laws because the legal resident of the unit was away when the Airbnb client stayed there, a spokesman for Schneiderman said. Additionally, he said, some listings violated state tax laws.

The report charged that large operators controlled a disproportionate number of listings. It said just six per cent of hosts ran large-scale operations, but that group generated 36 per cent of all rental transactions and collected 37 per cent of total revenue, or \$168 million.

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App

Starbucks rolls out pay-ahead option

Starbucks says it will start letting customers place orders ahead of time on their smartphones by next year.

It says it will introduce the option in Oregon later this year before the U.S. rollout in 2015.

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BEY GETS BANGS, AND OTHER TOP NEWS

1 Movember. It's that time of year again for Mo Bros and Mo Sistas to get involved in Movember's awesome campaign to change the face of men's health. Help spark conversation and raise funds by signing up for Movember this year. Go solo or form a team. Sign up at Movember.com and follow them on Twitter @movemberca.

2 Seth Rogen's mom. There has to be a punchline when a comedian's parent tries to figure out social media. Take Seth Rogen's mom Sandy, for example. Her series of LOL tweets included "i am trying to tweet a picture and i can't. and if you answer me i can't figure out how to see it. seth call me." Seth's tweet response/punchline: "My mom @RogenSandy is not adapting to her new role as a Twitter giant just yet."

3 Dallas Green & Pink? In seemingly the most unlikely of collaborations, Canada's indie-rocker Dallas Green (a.k.a. City



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and Colour) and Alecia Moore (a.k.a. pop star Pink) released a country-folksy album this week called *Rose Ave.* under the moniker You+Me. Recorded over eight days, it's actually terrific, and these friends could have one of the breakout indie albums of the year.

4 Sexiest tired person. 40-year-old Penelope Cruz was chosen by Esquire as this year's Sexiest Woman Alive in its new November issue. But as Penelope (mother of two young children) told the magazine, she feels more like a "mother who doesn't get enough sleep." In other words, Esquire should have called this the Sexiest Most Exhausted Mother Alive.

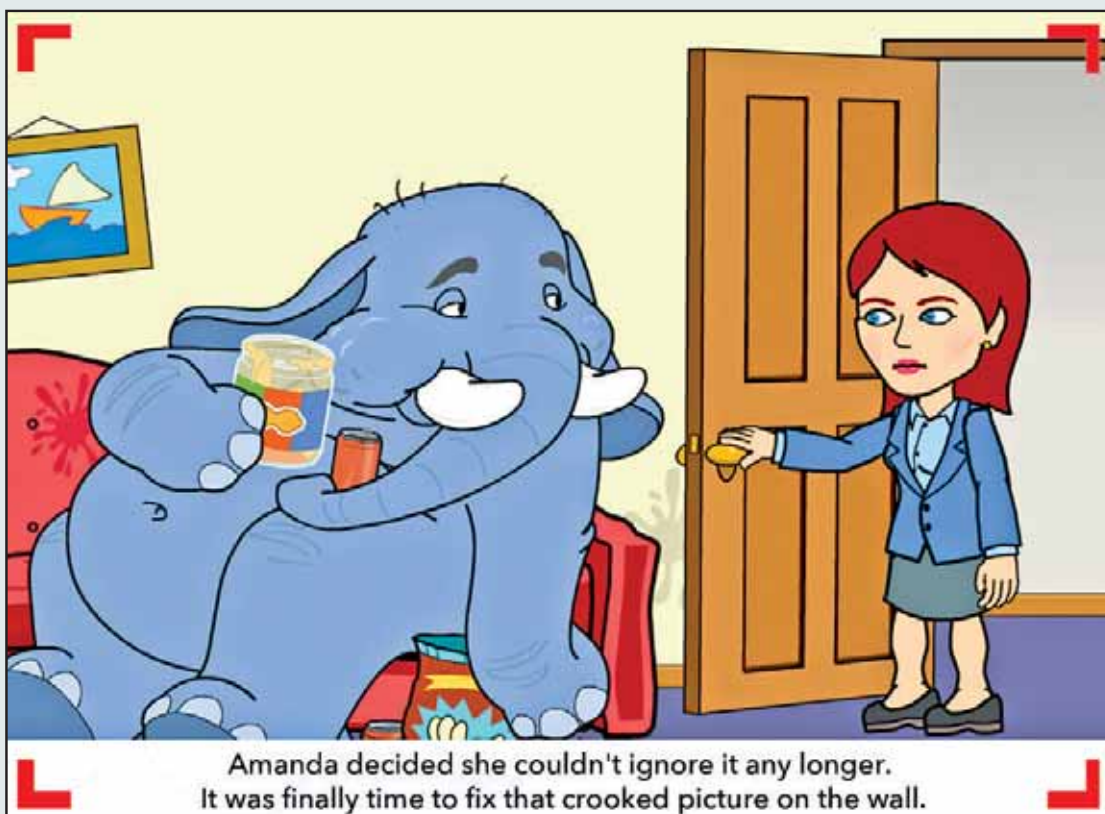
5 R.I.P. Ralph the Programme Guy. For decades, Raphael Platner — a.k.a. Ralph the Programme Guy — was a fixture in his tight athletic shorts and thick-framed glasses selling programmes at Toronto sport-

ing and entertainment events. He died recently at age 67, and as sports personality Mark Hebscher noted in an eloquent blog post on Ralph, "He may have been Toronto's greatest witness to sports history."

6 Arresting humour. Standup comedian Adam Newman was performing at Upright Citizens Brigade theatre in New York when NYPD police officers doing an arrest there interrupted his set. Newman improvised and attempted to bring the cops into his standup act, to which one responded, "Shut the f—up." In other words, possibly the best heckler of all time during a comic act.

7 Beyoncé's bangs. Paparazzi pics showing Beyoncé sporting a new Bettie Page 'do left some people scratching their heads and others pulling out their hair on social media over the style. Really now, all this fuss over a new hairstyle is just a tad ridiculous. But this is the pop culture world we live in. George Clooney just needs to tweet a picture of himself in a wrinkled Armani suit and we can all move on.

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West Virginia's Pocahontas County is home to the Green Bank Telescope, one of the world's most sophisticated engineering projects that also happens to require a congressionally mandated Radio Quiet Zone. That means cellphones, digital cameras, WiFi and other things "those kids" in other places enjoy. How do the residents feel about it? National Geographic turned up to find out. (National Geographic/YouTube)



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Twitter

@metropicks asked: A chicken biz has bought up a gamer biz. What company mash-ups would you like to see?

@liivlight: Tim Hortons buys Poutine's House of Poutine. (Editor's note: Poutimmies?)

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A dirty, depraved look at war

Reel Guys

**RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN**



Fury. Beneath the mud and body parts is a primal film that refuses to glamorize the Second World War

Richard: Mark, *Fury* is a brutal war film with exciting and well-executed battle sequences, but its most vicious scene takes place over a meal, at a table set with a lace tablecloth. It happens midway in the film after the crew has captured a German town. Once bullets stop flying, two local women prepare a meal for Wardaddy and Norman. The long scene begins with tension as the ladies try to figure out if the Nazi hunt-

ers mean them harm, but when the core group crowds around the table it becomes something akin to a surreal family dinner where real humanity, or lack thereof, is laid bare. It could have stopped the movie dead, but instead is a welcome interlude that showcases the effects of battle on a tightly knit but disparate group of men.

Mark: Yes, Richard, it's an excruciating scene, and I mean that in the best way. What I liked about it was the way it disposed of the "greatest generation" mythology and showed American soldiers as borderline rapists and sadists. Not Pitt, of course, who is just and fair, but some of the soldiers who saved us from

the Nazis were swine themselves. It is a depressing irony in a film that's too tough for irony. I admired the general toughness of the movie. War is not glamorized; it's shown to be a cesspool of degradation, a literal mud bath. I can't even imagine what the mud budget was for the picture.

RC: The mud budget and the cost of the fake body parts that litter the battlefield must have rivalled Pitt's salary. Those are the details, however, that give the movie so much of its grit. The dinner scene helps open the movie up and keep it from becoming *Das Boot* on land, but I was fascinated by the tank interiors. A sense of

claustrophobia, tension and fear percolates inside the tank cab and literally bleeds off the screen. It helps that the performances are very strong, but it's the primal feeling of being trapped inside the small space that gives the movie much of its oomph.

MB: Yes, I couldn't get into the elevator after I saw the film. The performances are strong, as you say, and I was most impressed by Shia LaBeouf, who we can now all forgive for all those *Transformers* movies. Michael Peña is great, but he's always great. A real surprise is Jon Bernthal, a relative newcomer, who nails his southern-fried redneck character as

Synopsis

Set in April 1945, *Fury* sees hard-bitten commander "Wardaddy" Collier (Brad Pitt) lead a U.S. 2nd armoured division tank nicknamed *Fury* through Germany in the final days of the Second World War. His crew, "Bible" Swan (Shia LaBeouf, once again acting opposite giant machines), Gordo (Michael Peña) and redneck Grady (Jon Bernthal), have fought together since the beginning of the war. When Norman Ellison (Logan Lerman), a new gunner recruit with no battle experience, signs on, he must fit in or endanger the entire crew. "You are no use to me if you can't kill krauts," says Wardaddy.

- **Richard:** ●●●●●
- **Mark:** ●●●●●



Brad Pitt takes on another war movie. Scan this photo with your Metro News app to see some explosive, intense, behind-the-scenes action from the set of *Fury*. CONTRIBUTED

a man you equally hate and pity. And what did you think of Pitt, Richard?

RC: Pitt really pulls this off. At first I was concerned he was going to hand in a rehash of his Nazi-hunting character from *Inglourious Basterds*. That character was over-the-top, and so is this one in his own way. Much of his dialogue sounds like it was written by Quentin Tarantino, but the character is deeper, not so much in what he says, but in his quiet scenes when everything you need to know about him is written on his face.

MB: The sadness is even in his haircut, which has its own gravitational pull.



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Drama/Action



Dracula Untold

Director. Gary Shore (IV)

Stars. Luke Evans, Sarah Gadon

Luke Evans (Fast & Furious 6, Immortals) stars in Dracula Untold, the origin story of the man who became Dracula. Gary Shore directs and Michael De Luca produces the epic action-adventure that co-stars Sarah Gadon, Dominic Cooper, and Diarmaid Murtagh.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍌 29% Audience: + 96%

Drama



Love Is Strange

Director. Ira Sachs

Stars. John Lithgow, Alfred Molina

After nearly four decades together, Ben (John Lithgow) and George (Alfred Molina) finally tie the knot in an idyllic wedding ceremony in lower Manhattan. But when George loses his job soon after, the couple must sell their apartment and temporarily live apart until they can find an affordable new home.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 97% Audience: 🍌 66%

Music/Performing Arts



Kill The Messenger

Director. Michael Cuesta

Stars. Jeremy Renner, Rosemarie DeWitt

Two-time Academy Award nominee Jeremy Renner (The Bourne Legacy) leads an all-star cast in a dramatic thriller based on the remarkable true story of Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Gary Webb. Webb stumbles onto a story which leads to the shady origins of the men who started the crack epidemic on the nation's streets.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 69% Audience: + 94%

Mystery/Suspense



Gone Girl

Director. David Fincher

Stars. Rosamund Pike, Ben Affleck

Gone Girl is based upon the global bestseller by Gillian Flynn — unearths the secrets at the heart of a modern marriage. On the occasion of his fifth wedding anniversary, Nick Dunne (Ben Affleck) reports that his beautiful wife, Amy (Rosamund Pike), has gone missing. Under pressure from the police and a growing media frenzy, Nick's portrait of a blissful union begins to crumble. Did Nick Dunne kill his wife?

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍅 86% Audience: + 98%

Drama/Comedy



Men, Women & Children

Director. Jason Reitman

Stars. Kaitlyn Dever, Rosemarie DeWitt

Men, Women & Children follows the story of a group of high school teenagers and their parents as they attempt to navigate the many ways the internet has changed their relationships, their communication, their self-image, and their love lives. The film attempts to stare down social issues such as video game culture, anorexia, infidelity and fame hunting.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 🍌 32% Audience: + 84%

Drama



The Best of Me

Director. Michael Hoffman

Stars. Michelle Monaghan, James Marsden

Based on the bestselling novel by Nicholas Sparks, The Best of Me tells the story of Dawson and Amanda, two former high school sweethearts who find themselves reunited after 20 years apart, when they return to their small town for the funeral of a beloved friend. Their bitter-sweet reunion reignites the love they've never forgotten, but soon they discover the forces that drove them apart 20 years ago live on.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: No reviews yet Audience: + 93%

Javier Bardem. Actor on board for Pirates project



Javier Bardem AFP FILE PHOTO

The Spanish actor is in talks to play Captain Brand, a ghost determined to take revenge on Jack Sparrow for the death of his brother, according to The Wrap.

Though earlier reports suggested Christoph Waltz might play the primary villain in the fifth Pirates of the Caribbean movie, Javier Bardem has ultimately landed the offer.

Opposite the Spanish actor, Johnny Depp is expected to

return as Jack Sparrow, along with Geoffrey Rush as Captain Barbossa. The Wrap also mentions possible appearances by Orlando Bloom and Keith Richards, which remain unconfirmed for the time being.

Helmed by Joachim Rønning and Espen Sandberg (Bandidas), the Disney feature will start production in Australia in February, with a U.S. release in July 2017.

AFP

Oscars



Neil Patrick Harris

Neil Patrick Harris will host Academy Awards

Neil Patrick Harris will host the Oscars next year.

The actor announced his latest gig online Wednesday. He posted a video on Twitter of him on the phone saying, "I'm in," showing a close-up of his bucket list and circling "Host the Oscars."

Academy Awards co-producer Neil Meron confirmed the casting on Twitter, writing, "we are so THRILLED that @ActuallyNPH will be our #Oscars host this year."

Harris has hosted Broadway's Tony Awards four times and TV's Emmy Awards twice.

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The appeal of the bad relationship

Elisabeth Moss.

Actress on the appeal of jerks and her own character's hang-ups in *Listen Up Philip*

MATT PRIGGE

Metro World News in New York

The script for *Listen Up Philip* grabbed Elisabeth Moss from the opening scene. It starts with its titular young novelist (ultimately played by Jason Schwartzman) blowing up on a reliably late ex-girlfriend. Moss' character, Ashley, isn't immune to his hostility; she's his girlfriend, and she's taken aback when he suddenly, thanks to his new book, ups his a—holishness and dumps her. The experience wasn't itself unpleasant; she's already reunited with writer-director Alex Ross Perry for the thriller *Queen of Earth*, which just wrapped.

So much of the press for this has involved what a jerk

Philip is. But Schwartzman gives him at least notes of vulnerability.

I knew Jason would bring humour and humanity. He wanted him to be somebody you wanted to watch. He couldn't be so miserable that you didn't want to watch him. I remember saying to Jason, "I don't know how to describe this to you, but you're going to be fine. You're so interesting to watch, and he's such an interesting character. People are going to want to watch you do this."

Still, it's not like your character is just a doormat. She has issues, too.

We asked, "How are these two people together?" We don't really show them happy. We only show them when they're not doing well. Then we started filming and we realized there's so much of Philip in Ashley: the way she can isolate herself and how she's independent and strong-willed. She can be grumpy, too. That's probably what drew them together in the first place.



Elisabeth Moss stars in *Listen Up Philip*, which opens in select markets this month. CONTRIBUTED

The only difference is Ashley doesn't carry that into her relationship. Philip does.

She's able to realize he's just a jerk.

I loved the idea of this woman going, "Wait a second, you're an a—hole, and I don't want to

be treated like that." She wakes up and goes, "You're just not a nice person."

He's still hard for her to shake, even after he's been unbelievably terrible to her.

That's the nature of relationships. Even if you're with

someone you shouldn't be, you still love them. You still have an attachment to them.

Though Philip wasn't always this cruel, it's hard imagining him ever being nice.

He becomes more of an a—hole as he gets successful. It

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"Sometimes the things that attract you to someone are the things that make you break up with them."

Elisabeth Moss on the attractiveness of a—holes.

brings out the worst in him. But his misanthropic nature was probably attractive in the beginning. Because he is funny. He's an a—hole but not just in a douchey way. He's quite smart about it. That attracted her to him at first. And then it turns on her. She's like, "It was funny when you were talking about other people, but now that you're talking about me, this no longer works for me."

A—holishness can be attractive.

Exactly. Sometimes the things that attract you to someone are the things that make you break up with them. "This was super-cute at first, but you're just a d—."

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Why we page the spirit world

Ouija. Another film about the cardboard conduit to the other side is being released, which prompts the question: Why does a silly game freak us out so much?

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The defining mystery of our species is what happens after our heart stops beating; after our warm shell turns cold and life ceases to be.

Indeed, questions surrounding death serve as the foundations of our life and the idea that life can exist after death is the root source of all our mythology.

But if people can exist post-humously, if souls exist and continue to be trapped in some kind of spectral plane, how would we reach them? More



Ouija opens next Friday. CONTRIBUTED

importantly — how could they reach us?

Enter the Ouija board. The Ouija, that mysterious alphanumerical board game, has, since it first became commercially available in 1891, fascinated and terrified those who have dared to make contact with the dead, either on a lark or with serious intent.

The board itself was named after early investors in the product sat around with their fingers on the “planchette” (the pear-shaped wooded device meant to channel ghosts) and asked the spirits what they

should call the new gimmick.

Reportedly, unseen forces then pushed them to collectively spell out O-U-I-J-A followed by a slide to the phrase “good luck.” That was enough of a sign, and the Ouija board was officially christened.

Its powers now largely debunked, the Ouija board has long been a staple of parties, especially popular amongst giddy teens trying to out-spook each other amidst binges of junk food and late-night horror movie marathons, but there was a time when the Ouija board was thought to be a legitimate con-

duit to the ether.

Those mourning their deceased loved ones, finding no solace in prayer or religion, would seek out the board in an attempt to find comfort and closure. And real or not, the idea of the Ouija board is still potent enough that even the most sophisticated individual might break a sweat when clustered together with a group of people, hands employing centrifugal force to make the board “talk.”

That’s the idea behind director Stiles White’s new thriller *Ouija*, opening next week and

the latest in a long line of horror films that have mined the mysteries of the purportedly haunted, mass-marketed “talking board.”

Films like:

13 Ghosts (1960)

Gimmick-master William Castle’s goofy horror classic in which *Ghost Viewers* were exploited to see the spooks on-screen, boasts only one legitimately frightening scene, when the family hunkers down in their new house and drags out the Ouija. As the music swells, the tone in the room turns from jovial to jarring as the walls rattle and the board steers itself to swear violent death to all those in the home.

The Exorcist (1973)

Fans of this essential fright flick tend to cite the more visceral moments of self-abuse and pea-soup puking, but for our money, the eeriest moment occurs when young Regan (Linda Blair) tells her mom plainly that someone or something named “Captain Howdy” is speaking

to her through her Ouija board.

Witchboard (1986)

The most famous of all Ouija board shockers, in which future O.J. Simpson squeeze Tawny Kitaen messes around with the game and opens up a spectral portal to Hell, getting possessed by a malevolent spirit in the process.

A major hit with gullible kids in the 1980s, the film spawned several lame sequels and spiked Ouija board sales worldwide.

What Lies Beneath (2000)

This undervalued suspense masterclass has a pivotal plot arc when a harried housewife (Michelle Pfeiffer), convinced her home is haunted, goes to her local discount store to buy a Ouija board and proceeds to use it ... in the bathroom, of all places.

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Movies 12, 5074 130 Ave.

As Above/So Below (14A) Fri-Thu 4:45-9:40
Bang Bang! (STC) Fri 5:30-9 Sat-Sun 2-5:30-9 Mon 5:30 Tue 2-5:30-9 Wed 5:30-9
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The F Word (14A) Fri 7:05 Sat-Sun 1:50-7:05 Mon 7:05 Tue 1:50-7:05 Wed-Thu 7:05
Haider (14A) Fri 5:15-8:45 Sat-Sun 1:20-5:15-8:45 Mon 5:15-8:45 Tue 1:20-5:15-8:45 Wed-Thu 5:15-8:45
Happy New Year (STC) Thu 8:30
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How to Train Your Dragon 2 (PG) Fri-Thu 4
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Maleficent (STC) Fri 4:15-6:35-9:05 Sat-Sun 1:35-4:15-6:35-9:05 Mon 4:15-6:35-9:05 Tue 1:35-4:15-6:35-9:05 Wed-Thu 4:15-6:35-9:05
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When the Game Stands Tall (PG) Fri 4:20-6:45-9:30 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:20-6:45-9:30 Mon 4:20-6:45-9:30 Tue 1:30-4:20-6:45-9:30 Wed-Thu 4:20-6:45-9:30
X-Men: Days of Future Past (STC) Fri 4:10-7 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:10-7 Mon 4:10-7 Tue 1:15-4:10-7 Wed-Thu 4:10-7

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The Best of Me (STC) Fri-Tue 1:30-4:20-7:30-10:20 Wed 4:20-7:30-10:20 Thu 1:30-4:20-7:30-10:20 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
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Dracula Untold (14A) Fri-Sun 12:40-3:10-5:30-8-10:35 Mon-Thu 12:40-3:10-5:30-8-10:30
The Equalizer (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-10:05
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Let's Be Cops (14A) Fri-Sat 10:45 Sun-Wed 9
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The Metropolitan Opera: Le Nozze Di Figaro (STC) Sat 10:55
Ouija (14A) No Passes Thu 8-10:30
This Is Where I Leave You (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-6:30

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Love Is Strange (14A) Fri 7-9 Sat-Sun 2:30-7-9 Mon-Thu 7-9
My Old Lady (PG) Fri 6:55-9:05 Sat-Sun 2-6:55-9:05 Mon-Thu 6:55-9:05

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Indiana Jones and The Raiders of the Lost Ark: The IMAX Experience (14A) Sat 8:05 Sun 5:45 Thu 8:30
Island of Lemurs: Madagascar 3D (G) Sat-Sun 10-2:15 Tue 4:20
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Kids in the Hall vet still a punk at heart

Bruce McCulloch.
Comic's new memoir
reveals his insecurities



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Bruce McCulloch is called many things: funny, witty and on occasion, offensive. Rarely do words like "heartfelt" enter into the equation.

Yet it's the most appropriate way to describe the Kids in the Hall member's new book, *Let's Start a Riot: How a Young Drunk Punk Became a Hollywood Dad*.

"I think I'm this soulful guy who really loves people, but people don't think of me that way," admits McCulloch. "Maybe it comes out a

little bit in the book."

Essentially an autobiography, *Let's Start a Riot* follows McCulloch's life from growing up a "loser in a jean jacket" in Calgary through to his life today.

Its genesis was a story he wrote for Calgary's *Swerve* Magazine called *The Mouse and I*. That blossomed into a one-man show called *Young Drunk Punk*, from which he pulled many of the book's stories. A television show written by and starring McCulloch is currently in production.

"The only reason I ever do anything is to connect with people," he says. "To write a story is one thing, but when you perform for other people, you can feel what's connecting with them."

On stage, McCulloch saw

that audiences were connecting with the theme of family so he decided make that the focus of the book.

"The book is about my three families: the one I crawled out of, the Kids in the Hall, and the one I have now with my wife and kids," he says.

Along the way he tackles painful memories, includ-

ing his fraught relationship with his dad.

But time has blunted much of the pain he experienced growing up in a dysfunctional family.

"Harder in a way, almost, is talking about the Kids in the Hall or the inner workings of my marriage," he says. "Hopefully there's a comic lens to it."

Quoted



"I think I'm this soulful guy who really loves people, but people don't think of me that way."

Comic and actor Bruce McCulloch, discussing his memoir, *Let's Start a Riot: How a Young Drunk Punk Became a Hollywood Dad*.

More music

• Despite his success, McCulloch still considers himself the young drunk punk he describes in his book. "As a 50-year-old doing a notes call with NBC, I still feel like the same weird outsider I did when I was 18 years old."

• That feeling of not fitting in is what drives the best comedy. "Everyone I know was a weirdo and a self-confessed loser at some point in their lives," he says. "There's the point of view of 'None of what you people are doing makes any sense.' I think that's the defining characteristic of every comedian I know."



Episode 4: Reciprocity

Ramona and Brent — or rather, Tristanova and Caethis — begin playing together every night, completing quests and levelling up. "We are addicted to achieving more of our potential and the opportunity to get to that next level of performance is very addictive," says John Hagle, co-chair at the Deloitte Center for the Edge. Scan this photo for a video of Hagle talking about the challenge of testing ourselves.



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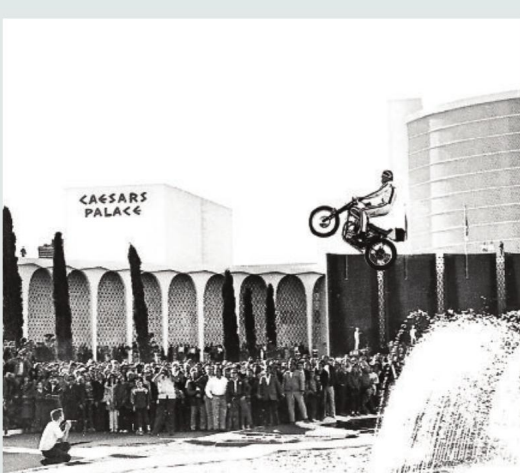
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Evel beats 'em all by a canyon mile



Legendary stuntman Evel Knievel must be rolling in his grave watching today's daredevils. From everyday bungee-jumpers to Jackass star Steve-O crossing an alligator pond with chicken in his underwear, nobody today touches the legacy of the man holding the world record for "most bones broken." The American icon (who arrived nearly four decades ago jumping his motorbike over a box of rattlesnakes) is experiencing a revival of sorts — with a Channing Tatum movie in the works, and a documentary premiering on HBO Canada this Saturday. We caught up to I Am Evel Knievel filmmaker Derik Murray to discuss the daredevil's most historic stunts

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Evel Knievel jumps the fountains at Caesars Palace in Las Vegas, in this Dec. 31, 1967, photo. LAS VEGAS NEWS BUREAU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Caesars Palace Jump (1967)

The most iconic crash of his career, then little-known Knievel made a perfect jump over the Vegas hotel's fountain only to crash — the infamous footage of which was filmed by then-unknown actress Linda Evans (who later starred on the '80s hit soap-opera Dynasty).

Injuries: Concussion, crushed pelvis and femur, several fractures

A crazy jumper is born

"Here's this guy attempting this absolutely crazy jump over the fountain and the net result was he crashed. Effectively on that day, Evel Knievel was born."

I Am Evel Knievel filmmaker Derik Murray

Snake River Canyon Jump (1974)

After two failed test launches, Knievel attempted to traverse this mile-wide Idaho canyon on the specially engineered, steam-powered Skycycle. Although his parachute deployed early, bringing the stuntman safely down, it remains an iconic event.

Injuries: None

Rocket man

"A lot of people thought he was making a big mistake. Up until this point, no one's gone back and done it, so that says something about him right there."

I Am Evel Knievel filmmaker Derik Murray



Evel Knievel is shown in his Skycycle rocket on Sept. 8, 1974, before his attempt at a highly promoted leap across Snake River Canyon in Idaho. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE



A year before his Wembley jump, Evel Knievel sailed over seven Mack trucks during a practice jump at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

Wembley Stadium Jump (1975)

Although he reportedly had mechanical issues with his bike, Knievel still attempted to clear 13 single-deck buses at England's Wembley Stadium. Suffering debilitating injuries, he famously refused to be taken away by medics.

Injuries: Broken back and pelvis

The jump that broke the Knievel's back

"For the most part, he knew he wasn't going to make it. He broke his back (but) walked all the way back up the ramp and (said) to the 80,000 people in the stadium he would never, ever jump again."

I Am Evel Knievel filmmaker Derik Murray

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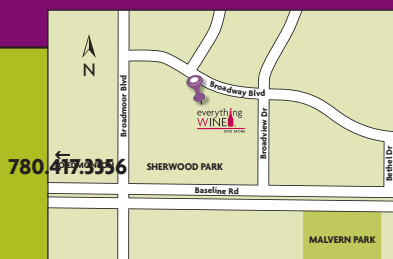
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J.K. Rowling has agreed to write three new movies. GETTY IMAGES FILE

J.K. Rowling. More film wizardry from Potter author

Harry Potter author J.K. Rowling is working on three new wizard-based movies to be released starting in 2016, studio giant Warner Bros. has announced.

The first, *Fantastic Beasts and Where to Find Them*, will be directed by David Yates, who directed the last four Harry Potter movies, and reunite the filmmaking team.

It is described as "set in an extension of her familiar

wizarding world, featuring magical creatures and characters inspired by Harry Potter's Hogwarts textbook and its fictitious author."

A second movie is set for release in 2018 and a third in 2021, the studio said. The first movie was announced last month.

Rowling, who has sold more than 450 million copies of the Harry Potter books, announced in September that

Warner Bros. had approached her about doing *Fantastic Beasts*.

"I thought it was a fun idea, but the idea of seeing Newt Scamander, the supposed author of *Fantastic Beasts*, realized by another writer was difficult.

"Having lived for so long in my fictional universe, I feel very protective of it," she said, explaining her decision to write the screenplay.

Warner Bros. did not announce who will direct or star in any of the films.

Rowling's Harry Potter books and movies tell the story of the young wizard and his friends at the Hogwarts school of magic.

The movies made global celebrities of its actors: Daniel Radcliffe as Harry, Emma Watson as Hermione Granger and Rupert Grint as Ron Weasley. **AFP**

Men in Shorts

New ABC comedy is based on gay pro soccer player

ABC plans to take a humorous approach to a delicate subject in *Men in Shorts*, a comedy inspired by Robbie Rogers, the first openly gay man to play in a top-level North American pro sports league.

Still relatively taboo, the subject of homosexuality in pro sports is at the heart of the comedy.

The project is inspired by the story of Rogers, the American soccer player who came out of the closet on his blog last February, at age 25, after a stint with the English team Leeds United.

Simultaneously, the midfielder announced he was retiring from soccer. But a few months later, after deciding this was a cowardly choice, he joined the Los Angeles Galaxy and announced he hoped to use the platform to become a role model.

Rogers will be a producer on *Men in Shorts*, which will explore the professional and personal life of a young gay soccer player not unlike himself, whose decision to be open about his sexual orientation places him squarely in the spotlight.

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Kyle MacLachlan in a scene from *Twin Peaks*. CONTRIBUTED

Twin Peaks book updates the story before TV sequel

The eerie TV town of *Twin Peaks* will soon be available between the covers.

Flatiron Books will publish *The Secret Lives of Twin Peaks*, a novel that promises to reveal what has happened to the residents of that mythical burg since they were last seen on the groundbreaking ABC series, which aired in 1990-91.

The publisher said Thursday the book is being written by Mark Frost, who was co-creator and executive producer of the series with David Lynch. It will be published in advance of the Showtime sequel airing in 2016.

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Steve Jobs biopic. Christian Bale may play tech guru in Sorkin-penned film

Two weeks after Leonardo DiCaprio turned down the role, Christian Bale is on his way to playing Apple co-founder Steve Jobs.

The Hollywood Reporter says the British actor was in Sony's sights for the role at the start of the project, when David Fincher was still attached to direct.

Bale has now entered negotiations with the studio following an unexpected

opening in his schedule.

For several months, the actor has been attached to headline *The Deep Blue Goodbye*, which Fox hopes to turn into a multi-film franchise.

Negotiations recently hit a roadblock due to his reluctance to commit to the sequels, giving Sony its window of opportunity.

Bale's talks with Fox have since resumed, after the

studio agreed to leave the sequel option out of the contract.

In any case, Bale would film the Steve Jobs biopic before *The Deep Blue Goodbye*.

To be directed by Danny Boyle, the film on the late tech guru will be based on a screenplay by Aaron Sorkin (*The Social Network*) adapted from Walter Isaacson's biography *Steve Jobs*.

AFP



Christian Bale is in talks to play Steve Jobs in a Danny Boyle film. **AFP FILE**

Alan Doyle's great big love for home

Where I Belong.

Great Big Sea singer's memoir filled with fond childhood stories, not tales from the road

No matter how far Alan Doyle strayed from his uniquely enchanting hometown of Petty Harbour, N.L., he had his book to whisk him back.

The Great Big Sea frontman spent years working on his memoir *Where I Belong*, scribbling during long road trips, sluggish sound checks or airport lounges the world over. Ultimately, a book that was originally intended to encompass the entirety of the 45-year-old's life instead focuses almost exclusively on his pre-20s upbringing in the small fishing town.

He just found that he couldn't stop talking about Petty Harbour.

"I assumed when we started that we would eventually make our way to present day, but the time I got finished adding up all the stories I wanted to tell ... I mostly told the stories about growing up in Petty Harbour," said Doyle this week during a promotional trip to Toronto.

Doyle's cheerful childhood certainly wasn't rooted in any financial prosperity. One of four kids, Doyle was born into a tiny home on the eastern-most coast of Newfoundland. The house had no bathroom and no plumbing. His parents would bathe the family with river water, collected in a plastic bucket and heated on the stove.

In the book and person, Doyle recalls his austere sur-

roundings with nostalgic fondness.

"I had somewhere to pee," he pointed out, laughing. "We had water — in a bucket, but so what? That whole part of it was a revelation in my adult life. In retrospect, we had less than perhaps North Americans my age had, but I never spent any time thinking about what we didn't have. We had more than enough for me."

Still, Doyle went to work young. At 10 he was already immersed in the wharf, rising early each summer day and heading to the harbour to cut cod tongues (considered a delicacy in parts of the world) then hawking the bounty to various vendors around town.

Much of the book is devoted to Doyle's wistful recollections of growing up in that environment — and its opportunities for innocent hijinks.

As a 10-year-old, hanging out with rough-and-tumble guys in their 20s all day was "intoxicating," Doyle said.

While *Where I Belong* isn't a traditional rock memoir, Doyle says it ties into his music career to a greater extent than it might initially seem.

"Without being aware of it, my young life almost perfectly prepared me for the greatest job anyone could have ever been offered," he said.

"All the stuff that happened to me in my little tiny fishing town and my little altar boy life, all of a sudden, it's like, man, I'm perfect for this job. Every question that was asked of me I said, yes, of course I know how to do that. Of course I can do that."

"This is going to be really hard on the road." What? We have a toilet. This is easy."

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Alan Doyle THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Singing bests readings

Alan Doyle put out his first solo album back in 2012, but says that this memoir represents the most vulnerable offering of his career.

- Public readings have proven particularly daunting, Doyle laments.
- "Freaks me out, man. I'd rather sing a thousand songs to a thousand people."

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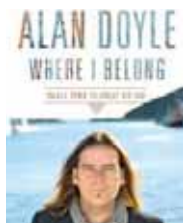
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Great Big Sea frontman Alan Doyle



Canadian actor is on a roll as evil genius in The Flash

Dark turn. Ottawa-born Tom Cavanagh shows his sinister side in popular new superhero series

It's only when you sit down to transcribe an interview with Tom Cavanagh that it makes sense why he's part of *The Flash*. The man talks faster than the average human being.

The comic-book-inspired superhero series bowed to great numbers Oct. 7, both in Canada on CTV and in the U.S. on the CW. Critical reviews have been positive, too.

It's a promising start for the series and for Cavanagh, an Ottawa native who has enjoyed a steady career in television despite never really being part of a hit show.

The Queen's University grad spent four seasons as the star of *Ed*, a sweet little comedy co-starring *Modern Family* actress Julie Bowen that ran from 2000 to 2004. Other U.S. network attempts included *Love Monkey*, a 2006 CBS music business-based sitcom co-starring fellow Canadian Jason Priestley that barely got sampled. He teamed with another Canuck, Eric McCormack, for *Trust Me*, a 2009 ad-industry effort airing on a U.S. cable channel. In between were several guest-starring stints on *Scrubs* as well as holiday-themed TV movies.



Tom Cavanagh, right, plays Dr. Harrison Wells in *The Flash*. CTV

The Flash gives Cavanagh a chance to show a sinister side and play someone a little less charming than his usual on-screen persona. His character, Dr. Harrison Wells, is the evil genius behind S.T.A.R. Labs Particle Accelerator.

An accident at the labs causes a thunderstorm, which causes a chemical explosion. Young Barry Allen (Grant Gustin) is knocked unconscious in the blast but awakes to find he somehow has superhuman speed. Candice Patton, Danielle Panabaker, Rick Cosnett and Carlos Valdes also star in the

series, which is produced in Vancouver.

Cavanagh says he was gobsmacked by all the explosive storylines in the scripts. He says, when viewers see what's in store for the first nine episodes, they'll be amazed.

"Every episode is like a season ender. I think the feeling is we have an opportunity here, let's go for it."

Wells is confined to a wheelchair — not the first time Cavanagh has acted sitting down. "I did a movie called *Sublime* — it's like an indie filler — where I was missing a leg." He

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Actor Tom Cavanagh, on his fast-paced new action series, *The Flash*

had to hide one leg throughout the movie and says the process was really arduous. "It hurt, you know?" So he had some reservations about playing Wells.

Those fears disappeared once he got a look at the sweet wheels the producers cooked up for his character.

"They come in with this plush, top-of-the-line, five-speed automated thing," he says. "This is luxury!"

Cavanagh, who turns 51 later this month, has been married for 10 years. The couple have a daughter and two sons, but that's as much as you'll learn about them from him. "I don't talk about my family," he politely but firmly tells a reporter.

Still, he must be the Cool Dad to be teamed with *The Flash*, I suggest.

"I don't think you want to have a cool factor, you know what I mean?" he says.

It's important for Cavanagh that his children can separate the job from the parent. "It's just healthier, you know?"

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The original stars of *Bewitched* are, from left, Elizabeth Montgomery, Dick York and Agnes Moorehead. CONTRIBUTED

Bewitched. '60s sitcom casts TV spell once again

Following the 50th anniversary of its premiere on Sept. 17, the popular 1960s sitcom *Bewitched* is poised to return to the small screen. Sony Pictures TV is currently shopping a modern-day remake of the series, *Deadline.com* reports.

Over 42 years after airing its last episode, *Bewitched* is still working its magic on TV fans. In a testament to its charms, the remake is said to have caught the interest of several American networks. Abby Kohn and Marc Silverstein, known for their romantic comedy features (*Valentine's Day*, *He's Just Not That into You*), are penning this new version of the classic sitcom.

The project is still in the early development stage, and

no possible candidates have been named for the roles of Samantha, Darrin and Endora. In the 2005 movie adaptation, also titled *Bewitched*, Nicole Kidman, Will Ferrell and Shirley MacLaine played the well-known characters.

Originally airing on ABC from 1964 to 1972, the comedy told the story of Samantha (Elizabeth Montgomery), a witch capable of casting all kinds of spells with a twitch of her nose. After marrying Darrin (Dick York and later Dick Sargent), a common mortal who works at an ad agency, she decides to live the magic-free life of a normal housewife. This resolution is a hard one to keep, in part due to interference from her mother, Endora, also a witch. AFP

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Dave Grohl hosts the new HBO series, *Foo Fighters: Sonic Highways*. HBO CANADA

Grohl gets dirty to unearth his roots

Sonic Highways.

Foo Fighters' HBO series celebrates the local influences on American music

Dave Grohl doesn't think small. What began as an idea to challenge his band, Foo Fighters, turned into an HBO television series that celebrates the musical heritage of eight American cities and the idea of music as a community. Foo Fighters: *Sonic Highways* debuts Friday at 11 p.m. EST.

After the band recorded its last album in a garage, the ever-restless Grohl wanted to hit the road. He proposed visiting different cities, soaking up the local atmosphere, then concluding each visit by writing and recording a song referencing the experience, and sometimes featuring local guest artists.

Grohl, whose 2012 *Sound City* film about a memorable music studio proved his ability to work in another medium, brought a film crew along.

"There's a family tree of American music, which we're all branches of," he said. "But you have to get into the dirt, into the roots, and find out where it all came from."

Friday's premiere explores the blues and rock scenes in Chicago, and includes a visit with iconoclastic music producer Steve Albini.

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Foo Fighters' Dave Grohl, on his HBO series exploring America's musical heritage

An episode on Washington, D.C. is personal for Grohl, who grew up nearby, and it shows how hardcore punk and the propulsive go-go music of black Washington thrived simultaneously.

Subsequent episodes visit Austin, Los Angeles, Nashville, New Orleans, New York and Seattle — home base of Grohl's first band, Nirvana.

The stories illustrate how history, geography and even weather influence the sound of a particular city's music.

"I never considered that until I went to New Orleans and someone said, 'You know, it's the humidity,'" he said. "It just knocks things out of tune. It makes the piano strings stretch, gives the horns a whole different sound. So when you listen to traditional New Orleans jazz, it's a little wobbly."

Musical history tour

HBO's *Foo Fighters: Sonic Highways* premieres Friday, Oct. 17 at 11 p.m. ET/MT online and on demand, and debuts on HBO Canada at midnight ET/MT.

In Los Angeles, Grohl visited Eagles guitarist Joe Walsh and heard what he answers whenever someone asks where Hotel California is.

"There's no building," Grohl said Walsh told him. "Los Angeles is Hotel California — you can check out, but you can never leave. I got the chills when I heard that. I didn't know that. That was so cool."

Grohl's enthusiasm, his love for hearing and telling stories, is part of what attracted HBO, said Nina Rosenstein, a senior vice-president at the network.

Each episode concludes with a performance of the song written in that city, and viewers can follow along with the lyrics to see how the story is filtered in. The album is set to be released next month.

What ties everything together is the idea of music as a community. Fans, producers, music store owners — all join together to create a scene, to build emotional bonds.

Grohl always hopes to inspire others, and if some teenage drummer gets excited watching a drummer featured in *Sonic Highways*, that's all to the good.

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Chris Noth ALL PHOTOS: GETTY IMAGES

What's the Big deal? Noth Carries on about misunderstood SATC cad

Chris Noth would like to take issue with a lingering Sex and the City point. People have always been unfairly harsh about his character, Big, apparently. "He never tried to pretend he was anything other than what he was. It was (Carrie) who tried to pretend he was something he wasn't," he

tells Australia's news.com.au in an interview. "He never cheated on her. The relationship just didn't work, and he went on to get married while she went on to ... how many boyfriends did she have? She was such a whore! There's a misconception that Carrie was a victim of him, and that's not the case."

Dakota wants to pull the Shades on family viewing

Maybe Dakota Johnson is rethinking her decision to star in the film adaptation of 50 Shades of Grey, as the young actress doesn't want her family to watch it, according to the National Enquirer. Sources say Johnson "can't bear the thought" of her parents, Melanie Griffith and Don Johnson, or her grandmother, Tippi Hedren, watching the film's steamier and kinkier elements. She is apparently OK with 18-year-old half-sister Stella Banderas watching, though. The film's



Dakota Johnson

getting a pretty wide release, so if she really wants to be this picky about who can and can't see it, she'll have her work cut out for her.

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Robin Thicke comes to an unpretty posse

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Robin Thicke may have lost Paula Patton, but he's gained a notorious gang of new friends. The Blurred Lines singer has apparently been inducted as the newest member of Leonardo DiCaprio's infamous group of guy pals with a ... rather unfortunate nickname.

Really, the group is a longstanding thing. There's even an infamous NY Mag piece about them from

1998. Members who've been by Leo's side for years include Lukas Haas, Kevin Connolly and David Blaine, and the most recent inductee before Thicke was reportedly Jonah Hill, so who wouldn't want to join? Anyway, according to Page Six, Thicke announced his inclusion in the ... posse by throwing himself a divorce party — so classy — in L.A. recently. "There were a lot of models there. Leo and Robin were being super flirtatious and talking to tons of girls," a source says. "Robin, in particular, was dancing and talking to a pretty brunette throughout most of the night. At one point, he grabbed a girl's hand and was like, 'Let's dance.'" What a lucky lady.



Seal and Heidi Klum

It was no lickety split, but Seal and Heidi are so over it already

It took nearly three years of negotiating, but Heidi Klum and Seal are finally officially divorced, with the agreement finalized earlier this week, according to TMZ. The Project Runway host and the Kiss from a Rose singer were married seven years before splitting up in January 2012. The divorce must have not been that heated, as the two

have been seen attending their kids' soccer games recently, looking perfectly friendly. Klum, for her part, has already moved on and is reportedly dating 27-year-old playboy Vito Schnabel.

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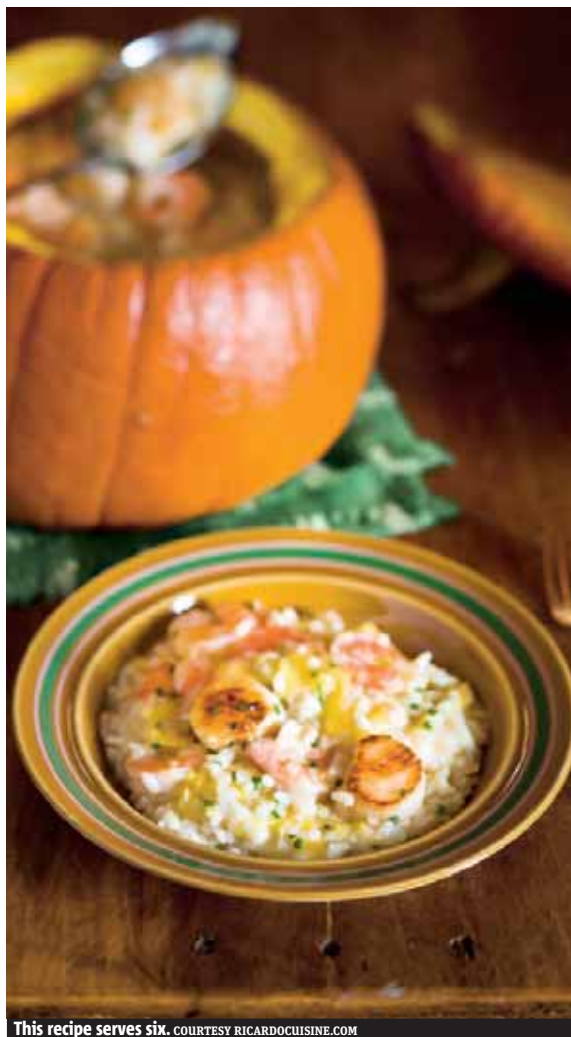
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Carve out a new purpose for pumpkin



This recipe serves six. COURTESY RICARDOCUISINE.COM

Pumpkin and Seafood Risotto. You may be sick of pie, but this fall staple can also be a savoury flavour enhancer



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Jack-o'-lanterns are fun, but my favourite uses for pumpkins involve a little seafood. It's time to see pumpkins in a new light.

1. With the rack in the lowest position, preheat the oven to 350 F (180 C).

2. With a knife, remove the top of the pumpkin. With a spoon, scrape out the seeds until the inside of the pumpkin is smooth. Lightly oil the pumpkin, inside and out. Season the inside with salt and pepper. Place on a baking sheet. Bake for about 1 hour and 30 minutes or until the flesh is tender. Keep warm.

3. Meanwhile, in a saucepan, heat the chicken broth and clam juice. Set aside.

4. In another saucepan, soften the shallots in the butter. Add the rice and coat with the butter. Add the broth, about 1 cup (250 ml) at a time, stirring frequently until the liquid has been completely absorbed before adding more broth. After about 20 minutes, the rice should be al dente. Remove from the heat and stir in the cheese. Adjust the seasoning. Pour into the pumpkin, stir and scrape some flesh into the risotto, to taste. Adjust the seasoning.

5. Meanwhile, in a large non-stick skillet, sear the scallops and shrimp, one after the other, in the oil. Season with salt and pepper. Stir seafood and chive in the risotto. Place the pumpkin in a serving dish in the centre of the table. **FOLLOW RICARDO ON SOCIAL MEDIA AND ON RICARDOCUISINE.COM OR SUBSCRIBE TO HIS MAGAZINE'S ENGLISH EDITION, WHICH LAUNCHED THIS SEPTEMBER!**

Ingredients

- 1 pumpkin, about 6 1/2 lb (3 kg)
- olive oil, for brushing
- 4 cups (1 litre) chicken broth
- 1 cup (250 ml) clam juice
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) shallots, finely chopped
- 1/4 cup (60 ml) butter
- 2 cups (500 ml) arborio rice
- 1 cup (250 ml) grated Parmigiano-Reggiano cheese
- Salt and pepper
- Topping**
- 3/4 lb (350 g) medium-sized scallops, patted dry
- 3/4 lb (350 g) medium-sized shrimp, shelled, deveined and patted dry
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) olive oil
- 2 tbsp (30 ml) chopped fresh chives

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Match made in fall heaven



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With Thanksgiving done and dusted, the only pumpkin most of you may be interested in seeing is one grinning at you from your front porch on Halloween.

I'm betting the lack of post-holiday love for jack-o'-lantern meat as a meal ingredient is because we associate it only with pie.

Ricardo gets his gourd on in this week's recipe: a twist on seafood risotto that not only features pumpkin as a flavour enhancer, but as a serving receptacle as well.

With or without the vegetal element, seafood risotto is a white wine drinker's dish.

Something light, dry and slightly citrusy will go swimmingly with the aquatic highlights, temper the risotto's earthiness and lift the aromatics of the pumpkin flesh.

With its subtle effervescence, a dry Italian Prosecco would be a fine choice, as would a crisp pinot grigio.

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A new home can be thrilling but is often accompanied by a long list of to-dos. Over time, the excitement can begin to fade while that list continues to grow and often becomes overwhelming. Sometimes all it takes to get going again is a bit of inspiration. Here is something that will dress up a dull wall and liven up any home: a faux brick wall. In just one weekend, you can embrace the warmth and modern edge of this DIY project.

Home reno moments

Catch all new back-to-back episodes of *Rescue My Renovation* on Thursdays at 10 p.m. ET/PT on DIY Network Canada for some of the best and worst moments of home renovations.

Preparation tips

- Consider the weight of the bricks and surface area; additional material may be required to help the wall support the brick.
- Avoid directly applying the brick to a painted surface — make sure to sand the area.
- Measure the wall to determine the amount of

veneer brick required.

- Cut several bricks in half before applying to the wall — this will help create a more natural look.
- Check your local building codes and always use safety gear and assistance if necessary. Local hardware stores are always a good place to start.

Getting it done

Begin at the bottom corner of the wall and apply mortar. The first layer will consist of full-sized veneer bricks. Once complete, prepare wood strips, about a half-inch wide, to create space between the first and second layer for

grouting. Start the second row with a half brick then continue with full bricks to

break the joints of the row below. Begin the third layer with a full-sized brick and the fourth one with a half-sized brick. Continue this alternating pattern until the wall is full and allow the brick to dry.

Final steps

Once everything is dry, prepare a mortar mixture to grout the joints of the bricks. Use a grout bag when applying it to the joints and take your time

with this process. Wait for the grout to set. Once dry it will crumble like sand when brushed. Use a stiff brush to scrub and clean the bricks. Don't worry if the bricks are messy or uneven, it provides a more authentic look.

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Healthy community. Residents enjoy steady growth, development, and safe neighbourhoods

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St. Albert is a city of more than 60,000 people just northwest of Edmonton, and while some might think of it as simply a bedroom community in the capital region, residents and city fathers would disagree.

Nestled along the Sturgeon River and founded as a

Metis settlement more than 150 years ago, St. Albert honours its proud past with heritage sites like the Little White School House and original Lacombe chapel on Mission Hill. Today, residents still embrace that past while forging a new future and sense of community through many annual events — the International Children's Festival, a downtown Art Walk, the Rainmaker

Rodeo, Aboriginal Days, and numerous runs and marathons.

It's that community and neighbourhood development that St. Albert Mayor Nolan Crouse is particularly proud of, citing a doubling of grassroots events over the last 10 years at Servus Place, the Botanic Park, and Grain Elevator Park, where residents nurture that sense of community.

"Residents have told us that St. Albert still feels like a small town, regardless of its

size," Crouse said. "It's what they love most about the city. That, plus the abundant green spaces, 85 kilometres of paved trails, ravines and nearby river valley — the botanic side of the city. But I'd also add our school system and safe neighbourhoods — things that matter to everyone."

The City of St. Albert website (stalbert.ca) even offers residents a community benefits calculator, where they can compare the assessed value of their home with the services

they receive — snow removal, garbage and recycling services, for example, that rank highly in the region.

"There's no boom, but no bust here either," Crouse said. "We have steady growth of about 1,000 new residents each year, and a growing mix of housing for those people. We continue to attract young families, but it's good to see planned projects that will attract a mix of people and lifestyles. That makes for a healthy community."

As new downtown condos, more schools and new commercial development continues, St. Albert is poised to offer citizens the quality of life for which they have moved here.

"We're looking for that right balance of business and residential in the city," said St. Albert business attraction manager Sean McRitchie. "And we're thinking big, looking at major Canadian cities to attract investment. It's no longer your grandmother's St. Albert."



Residents say St. Albert feels like a small town, but features steady growth that continues to attract young families. CONTRIBUTED

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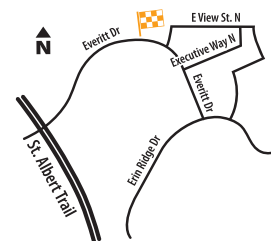
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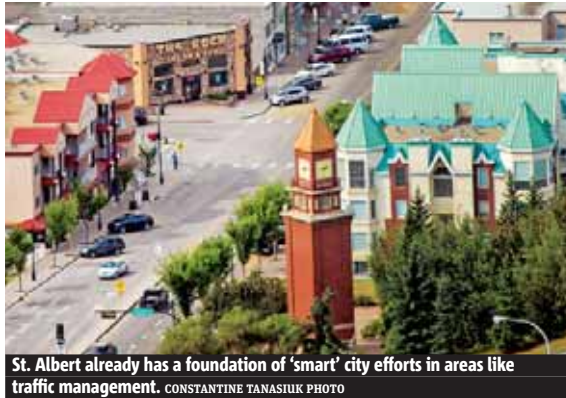
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St. Albert is taking steps to become a 'smart city' leader, including creating the Alberta Smart City Alliance. CONTRIBUTED



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'Smart' cities. A path to change

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New solutions

- As society becomes increasingly digital and connected, cities around the world must examine aging infrastructure and find new technologies and solutions to sustain and grow their communities. A "smart" city can be defined as one that embraces innovation and technology to foster a high quality of life.

St. Albert wants to be a "smart" city leader in Canada, and it's taking steps to be just that. Since the fall of 2013, the city has started along the path to change, first with a "smart" city master plan and then joining with business and post-secondary institutions to create the Alberta Smart City Alliance.

While St. Albert has a foundation of "smart" city efforts in areas like traffic management, building controls, a transit "next bus" program, free public Wi-Fi access and more, it has lacked a holistic strategy. With the master plan, the city aims to attract businesses to diversify and grow, while fostering a culture of innovation — kind of a "living lab" approach.

"I was talking to a local dentist the other day, and he said his waiting room doesn't have books or magazines along the wall — now it's tablets for patients to use while they wait," said St. Albert Mayor Nolan Crouse.

Travis Peter, manager of strategic and intergovernmental initiatives for the city, said increased awareness and feedback from residents and business will help the city provide services in a smarter

way, whether that's about improved traffic management, parking, or garbage and snow removal.

"A 'smart' city isn't a brand unto itself — rather, it's meant to complement and enhance the environment," Peter said. "The city is leading the conversation, but we are reaching out to the chamber of commerce, and working with researchers from the U of A, NAIT, and beyond. It's a great thing for St. Albert, as the city can become a centre of excellence in Canada — a place that works for residents and where companies want to do business."

The St. Albert "smart" city team has already been called upon to speak on the initiative beyond city borders, a sure sign that the buzz will continue to grow.



Increased awareness and feedback from residents and business will help St. Albert provide services in a smarter way. CONTRIBUTED



Families find St. Albert desirable for its safe neighbourhoods and top-notch amenities. CONTRIBUTED

Home of steady growth

Real estate. St. Albert boasts brisk business in the housing market

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St. Albert is a city of steady growth, adding some 300 new homes each year and drawing about 1,000 new residents inside its borders. Since it has been called the best city in Canada (MoneySense, 2014) and best place to raise a family (Today's Parent magazine, 2012), it's no surprise that the majority of newcomers are families looking for a safe place to raise children, with all the schools and amenities that go with it.

"It's been a solid market here this year, and we'll see a lot more development over the next several years as the city grows the condo and multi-family market, too," said Ryan

New developments

- Available land for development — both residential and commercial — makes St. Albert a desirable city. Strong growth continues in North Ridge and North Erin Ridge, while two new areas set for development include Riverside and Jensen Lakes. The latter will boast a recreational lake with beaches for residents of the new north end neighbourhood.

Boser of Sarasota Realty in St. Albert. "And with the more typical demographic looking for a single-family home, the selection and city's top-notch amenities and services means business will continue to be brisk."

Sarasota's Avions, nearly 30 half-duplex units in North Ridge, sold out quicker than

expected, appealing to first-time buyers shopping in the \$300,000 price range. Single-family homes in the city average about \$450,000.

"The better mix of residential options attract a wider variety of buyers," Boser said. "It's what buyers, developers and builders all want."

The city's Grandin Mall is being redeveloped for multi-family, high-density housing that will continue the city's efforts to attract young families, professionals, and more.

"The 10-acre site will have 3,000 residents and make a greater density downtown," said Harold Pacheco of St. Albert's economic development office. "It's important to have people living in the core and to offer smaller lots for smaller, single-family homes, too. St. Albert has historically been known for building big houses on big lots, but society is changing. We need that mix to attract residents and business here."



St. Albert's real estate market will continue to be profitable as families seek out the city. CONTRIBUTED

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The Giants' Travis Ishikawa reacts after hitting a three-run walk-off home run to defeat the Cardinals 6-3 in Game 5 of the NLCS in San Francisco on Thursday night. THEARON W. HENDERSON/GETTY IMAGES

Giants walk off to World Series

MLB playoffs.

Ishikawa's three-run blast in bottom of the ninth breaks tie and eliminates Cardinals

Travis Ishikawa hit a three-run homer in the bottom of the ninth inning, sending the San Francisco Giants to the World Series with a 6-3 win over the St. Louis Cardinals on Thursday night.

These every-other-year

Game 5	
6	3
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Giants clinched the NL Championship Series in Game 5 and now will face the Royals in an all wild-card Fall Classic that begins Tuesday night in Kansas City.

Pablo Sandoval singled to

start the ninth against Michael Wacha, making his first appearance of the post-season for the Cardinals. After an out, Brandon Belt walked to bring up Ishikawa, who drove a 2-0 pitch into the elevated seats in right field.

Ishikawa hit the first game-ending homer in NLCS history. And it was the first time a homer sent the Giants into the World Series since perhaps the most famous drive ever in baseball — Bobby Thomson's "Shot Heard 'Round the World" in a 1951 playoff.

Ishikawa knew right away

on his first career post-season homer, raising his right arm into the air as he watched his ball sail into the seats. He was immediately mobbed at home plate after he rounded the bases as fireworks shot off from the centre-field scoreboard.

Pinch-hitter Michael Morse homered leading off the eighth against Pat Neshek, who replaced Adam Wainwright to start the inning, to tie it 3-3.

Morse was batting for Madison Bumgarner, who was named NLCS MVP.

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Biogenesis scandal

Anthony Bosch pleads guilty to distributing PEDs

The former owner of a South Florida anti-aging clinic pleaded guilty Thursday to charges of illegally providing performance-enhancing drugs to athletes including high-profile Major League Baseball players, most notably New York Yankees star Alex Rodriguez.

Anthony Bosch, former owner of the Biogenesis of America clinic in Coral Gables, pleaded guilty to conspiracy to distribute testosterone before U.S. District Judge Darrin P. Gayles. Bosch faces a maximum 10-year prison sentence but is likely to get far less because of co-operation with prosecutors and with MLB's investigation into player drug use.

Six other people are charged in the case, and Bosch has agreed to testify against them if they go to trial. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Eddies look to stay alive vs. Fury

The Ottawa Fury FC will host FC Edmonton on Saturday at TD Place in a game with playoff implications.

The Fury were eliminated with a loss to the New York Cosmos last weekend, but the Eddies are four points out of fourth place and can potentially be eliminated with a loss.

The Fury's leading scorer Oliver will be out injured as he was elbowed in New York. Hanson Boakai returns to the Eddies, after a call up to the Canadian men's national team.

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Bruins can't ruin Canadiens' big night



The Canadiens celebrate Brendan Gallagher's third-period goal — his second tally of the night — during their 6-4 win over the Bruins on Thursday night in the first game of the season at Bell Centre. PAUL CHIASSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

NHL. Just like last spring, Habs have Kryptonite for Boston

Brendan Gallagher and P.A. Parenteau each had two goals as the Montreal Canadiens chased goalie Tuukka Rask out of the game to win their NHL home opener 6-4 over the Boston Bruins on Thursday night.

Max Pacioretty had a goal and two helpers, while Jiri Sekac got his first NHL goal for Montreal (4-1-0).

Zdeno Chara, Carl Soderberg, Loui Eriksson and Simon Gagne, with his first as a Bruin,

On Thursday

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Canadiens

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replied for Boston (2-4-0), which led 3-2 before fading late in the second frame. Boston was coming off a win Wednesday night in Detroit.

Rask, who is 3-11-3 in his career against Montreal, allowed five goals on 23 shots before leaving 7:17 into the third in favour of Niklas Svedberg.

There was concern the game could get nasty in the rivals' first meeting since the teams' bitter, seven-game playoff clash in the spring, but other than Alexei Emelin dumping Milan Lucic with an early open-ice check and Brad Marchand jabbing P.K. Subban in the groin in the second frame, the teams stuck to playing hockey.

Boston led 7-1 in shots when Chara, posted in front of Carey Price on a power play, had David Krejci's shot go in off his leg 9:03 into the game.

That woke up Montreal, which responded with its first power-play goal in 15 tries this season when David Desharnais went hard to the

net and saw the puck go off Adam McQuaid's skate, then off Pacioretty's skate and in at 11:33.

After Gallagher put Montreal ahead at 7:43 of the second, the Bruins took over the game as Soderberg got the puck amid a crowd of Montreal defenders and scored at 8:34 and Eriksson tipped in a Torey Krug pass at 11:31.

But in the final two minutes of the period, the Canadiens struck twice as Sekac jumped on a deflected puck and scored into an open side at 18:11 and Parenteau scored for his first as a Canadian from the slot at 19:36.

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Around the NHL on Thursday

- Stars 3, Penguins 2. Tyler Seguin scored a power-play goal with 2.9 seconds remaining to give the Dallas Stars a 3-2 victory over the Penguins in Pittsburgh.
- Islanders 4, Sharks 3 (SO). John Tavares scored the decisive goal of the shootout

and the New York Islanders remained unbeaten with a 4-3 win over the San Jose Sharks.

- Senators 5, Avalanche 3. Clarke MacArthur scored the winner for the Senators as they defeated the Colorado Avalanche 5-3 on in Ottawa's

home opener.

- Capitals 6, Devils 2. Alex Ovechkin scored in his third straight game, Braden Holtby made 26 saves and the Washington Capitals beat New Jersey 6-2 on, handing the Devils their first loss.

- Rangers 2, Hurricanes 1. Henrik Lundqvist stopped 29 shots and then all three attempts in a shootout, and Rick Nash scored the only goal in the tiebreaker to lift the New York Rangers over the Carolina Hurricanes 2-1 Thursday night. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Yep, that's a touchdown

New York Jets running back Chris Ivory lands upside down in the end zone for a touchdown in the Jets' 25-27 loss to the New England Patriots on Thursday, in Foxborough, Mass. The Jets lost their sixth straight game. ELISE AMENDOLA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Points of interest

The Raptors will complete their sixth of eight pre-season games when they play the Kevin Durant-less Oklahoma City Thunder on Friday night in Wichita, Kan. Here's a look at some of the issues still facing the Raptors with the regular season fast approaching. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Bigs must be better

It's early to sound the alarms, but the Raptors' starting front court — Amir Johnson and Jonas Valanciunas — hasn't been good enough for anyone's liking.

Simply put, they've been manhandled at times.

Johnson is a notoriously slow starter and Valanciunas is getting over a busy summer.

But size is an issue with the Raptors and they have to get more consistent production out of the starters.

Room for Lou?

One of the most effective combos late last season was when Kyle Lowry and Greivis Vasquez played together. It allowed Lowry to play off the ball and took pressure off of him to distribute.

Now with Lou Williams thrown into the mix there's another body and ball-handler for Dwane Casey to manage.

Vasquez is the primary backup point guard but look for Casey to use Lowry-Williams and even Williams-Vasquez at times.



Much to be D-sired

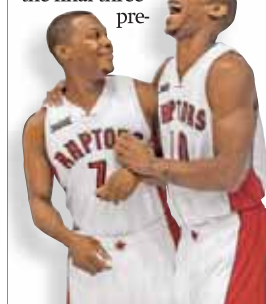
Things have improved considerably since the first two pre-season games when the Raptors appeared totally uninterested in playing hard, aggressive defence but, as Casey loves to say, they remain very much a work in progress.

Some of this has to do with the lack of rim protection and interior defence from the slow-starting bigs, but there needs to be a more consistent work ethic from everyone.

Old faithfuls

DeMar DeRozan and Kyle Lowry are a pair the Raptors don't have to worry about.

DeRozan has tightened up his ball-handling and seems to be making better decisions in traffic and Lowry is in great shape. Having them ready allows Casey to focus on more pressing matters in the final three pre-



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Dallas Cowboys owner

Sex-assault case against Jerry Jones filed too late: Judge

A judge threw out a sexual assault lawsuit filed against Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones on Thursday, saying the claims were barred by Texas law limiting the time in which a case can be filed.

Jana Weckerly had accused Jones of grabbing her genitals and forcibly kissing her in 2009.

Weckerly also alleged an attorney for Jones took a memory card with photos and destroyed it, and that she was paid hush money for several years after the incident. Jones denied the allegations.

State District Judge Dale Tillery ruled that the allegations, even if true, fell outside the five-year statute of limitations for civil sexual assault cases.

Tillery's order also redacted certain allegations made by Weckerly in court filings, and it banned attorneys on both sides from discussing the case with the media even after its dismissal.

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Julius Thomas. Forget what I said; it's not easy

Julius Thomas says he was misquoted — by Julius Thomas.

After scoring his second TD against the Jets last weekend, Denver's star tight end screamed, "It's so easy!"

Although his nine TD receptions are tied with Calvin Johnson (2011) for the most in NFL history thorough five games, Thomas backed down from his bravado this week.

"Contrary to my own statements, it's not very easy," Thomas relented.

He's making it look effortless, though, thanks to some off-season tips from Tony Gonzalez and a dogged determination to prove his breakout 2013 season was just an appetizer.

"I wasn't going to rest on what I did last year," Thomas said. "I was really determined to come in and keep working and try to find every way I could to get better. Fortunately for me, it's been able to show in production. I'm still going to continue to keep working. Everything I've done now inspires me to work harder, so I'll stay after it."

Thomas' position coach, Clancy Barone, called Gonzalez, the 14-time Pro Bowler who had just retired, and asked if he could tutor his fellow power forward-turned



Julius Thomas celebrates a TD on Sunday. GETTY IMAGES

tight end.

Gonzalez, now an NFL analyst for CBS Sports, said Thursday that he invited Thomas to his home in Southern California. They went out and played some hoops and talked tons of football.

Not about technique or run-blocking, but "about the mental side of it," Gonzalez said.

"It doesn't matter how good you get, you have to keep looking for ways to improve. You're always eating right. You're always looking for the latest way to get your body quicker, stronger, faster. You've got to be obsessed with your routine."

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Horoscopes by Sally Brompton

♈ Aries

March 21 - April 20

The mood you start the day with will remain with you until the start of next week, so find something to cheer you up and get you smiling.

♉ Taurus

April 21 - May 21

It's nice to know your efforts are appreciated and Saturn in your opposite sign is about to bring you recognition. It will give your confidence a boost.

♊ Gemini

May 22 - June 21

Don't push yourself too hard physically or worry that you are not giving enough mentally or emotionally. With your ruler Mercury moving retrograde this is the ideal time to slow down.

♋ Cancer

June 22 - July 23

You may not be looking forward to a social event but the planets indicate if you make the effort to enjoy yourself you will be surprised how much fun you have. Go ahead, lighten up.

♌ Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

Make an effort to get on top of your workload before the week-end begins. There is so much going on socially that it would be a shame to miss out.

♍ Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

The positive results of the decisions you made a few weeks ago will be apparent over the next few days. No effort is ever wasted, so stop feeling sorry for yourself.

♎ Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Saturn in the main financial area of your chart means you need to be on your guard today whenever you hear the phrase "business opportunity" or something similar.

♏ Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

Today's cosmic set-up warns you cannot afford to be half involved. Friends, family and work colleagues expect total commitment and you owe it to them to give 100 per cent.

♐ Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

If you push yourself beyond your natural limits today you may regret it come the start of next week. If you need to free up more time try wasting less of it on trivial pursuits.

♑ Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

A partnership or relationship issue can easily be resolved today, if you are prepared to sit down and listen to the other person's grievances.

♒ Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Wherever you happen to be and whatever you happen to be doing at this precise moment of time is exactly right for you, so lighten up and make it work.

♓ Pisces

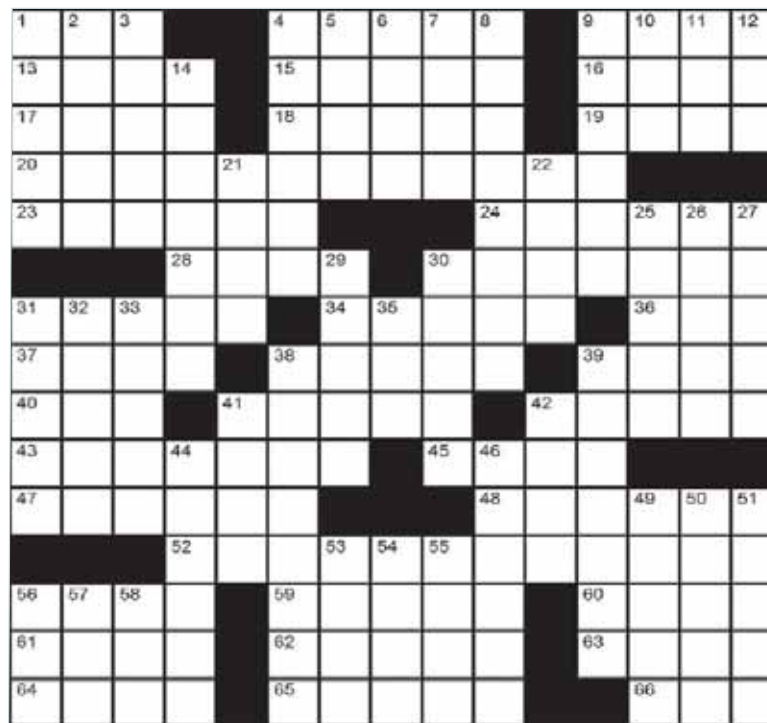
Feb. 20 - March 20

The planets warn you will have to make sacrifices in your social life today and over the weekend if you are to make progress in more serious areas.

Crossword: Canada Across and Down by Kelly Ann Buchanan

Across

1. Burt Reynolds movie, "Stroker" (1983)
4. Verbalize
9. Folk tale character Ali
13. The ___ (Shakespeare)
15. Hippie's hope
16. Police K-9
17. Place
18. Dick ___ Jr. (Canadian broadcasting legend)
19. Furiousness
20. #8-Down's most iconic work, The ___
23. Acting do-over
24. "Happy Days" sister
28. Mr. Romney
30. Saint-___ Seminary, Montreal's oldest building, built in the 1680s
31. A lot
34. Robert Frost poem, ___ Treader
36. Rugged off-road ride, commonly
37. Dish
38. Taken ___ (Surprised)
39. Stick
40. Prince Valiant's son
41. Farmland
42. Untrue
43. "Dance Desire" rock band from Charlottetown
45. Quickly read over



47. Montreal-born trombonist Mr. Trudel, and namesakes
48. Princess Leia (Carrie Fisher role)
52. Mid Shore (Type of ship in the Canadian Coast Guard)
56. Mr. Lovett

59. Netting fibre
60. Variety
61. Boo-hooing bit
62. Realm in the Renaissance
63. Wing-shaped
64. Blots
65. Dog's 'I'm hot and tired' signals
66. Highness, for short

Down

1. Can do the task better
2. British actor Michael
3. Vertical
4. Particular piano
5. Saucy
6. Icicle's locale
7. #41-Down's role in

- "Tommy" (1975), The ___ Queen
8. Inuit artist, ___ Ashevak (b.1927 - d.2013)
9. Potatoes packaging
10. Anecdotal collection
11. Great
12. Rusted

14. Municipality in Quebec; or, actor Josh
21. Alike
22. Scott of "Party of Five"
25. One Direction member Mr. Horan
26. Rhythmical stress
27. Pokemon creature
29. Restaurant reserve-ee
30. Six: German
31. Nebraska city
32. Wild
33. Country singer Ms. Tucker
35. Globe's long, crosser
38. Landing site for a plane
39. Style of rap music
41. Music legend Ms. Turner
42. Subway user's payment
44. Windshield devices
46. Groups of partridges
49. Sanctuaries, fancy-style
50. Mountainous land
51. On the ball
53. Proportionately, Pro ___
54. Sultanate of ___
55. Cheerful song
56. Co. cousin
57. Aye
58. Shepherd/___ mix (Woof!)

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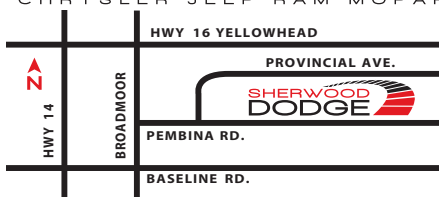
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